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OF THE

30TH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Tishomingo - Baptist - Association,

HELD WITH

HINKLE CREEK CHURCH,

Alcorn County, Miss.,

October 3, 4, 5 and 6, 1890.

OFFICERS.

J. S. BERRY.....Moderator.
W. A. RICHARDSON.....Clerk.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

W. L. SKINNER, Pres.; J. W. BURRESS, J. V. ALEXANDER, J. D. BILLS, T. W. JONES, T. F. HOLT, L. R. BURRESS, Moderator and Clerk, Members ex-officio.

Miss ELLA C. BOONE, Rienzi, Miss., Vice-Pres't Woman's Work.

NEXT MEETING---Osborne Creek Church, Friday before 1st Sunday in October, 1891, 8 o'clock, a. m.

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MINUTES.

The Tishomingo Baptist Association met with the Hinkle Creek Baptist church, Friday before the 1st Sunday in Oct., 1890, at 10 o'clock, a. m. J S Berry, Moderator, and W A Richardson, clerk, present.

The association was called to order by the chair, and after a short time spent in devotional exercises conducted by brother L A Little, proceeded to business. Elder J T Killough and brother H R Clinkscales were appointed reading clerks. Letters were presented and read from the following churches, viz: Chewalla, Coln's Chapel, Osborne Creek, Kossuth, Mt. Sinai, Hinkle Creek, Concord, Shiloh, Gaston, Union, Cacy Creek and Corinth. The hour of 11 o'clock being announced, suspended business to hear the associational sermon, by elder L R Burress. Text: 1 Tim. 3, 15: "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." Adjourned for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The association called to order at 2, p. m. Prayer by elder W D Robinson. Letters from the following churches read: Cane Creek, New Salem, Farmington, Antioch, No. 1, Iuka, Tuscumbia, Mt Olive, Harmony, Mt Gilead, Brush Creek, Mt. Providence, Burnsville, Baldwyn, Meadow Creek, County Line, Fellowship, Evergreen, Sardis, Jacinto, Oak Hill, Antioch No. 2 Mt Pleasant, Shady Grove, Union Grove No 1. Booneville. The chair declared the body ready for permanent organization. Elder R M Perry and Dr J T Christian were appointed tellers to conduct and announce result of election for moderator and clerk—who announced that elder J S Berry was re-elected moderator and W A Richardson, clerk. After a few remarks by the moderator, called for corresponding messengers from other religious bodies. Received elder R J Jennings from Unity association, Tenn., elder R M Perry, from Tombigbee association, and Dr. J T Christian as representative of the State convention board and "Southern Baptist Record." On motion of elder W L Skinner the following order of business was adopted: Invite correspondents and appoint correspondents; appoint the following committees: 1, Devotional Service; 2. On State of Religion; 3, Publications; 4, Finance; 5, Sabbath Observance and Sabbath Schools; 6, Systematic Giving; 7, Schools and Colleges; 8, Foreign Missions; 9, State and Associational Missions;

10, Temperance; 11, Obituaries; 12, On Nominations. The following committees were announced by the Chair:

Devotional Services--J W Burress, W J Thompson, and pastor and deacons of Hinkle Creek church.

State of Religion--W L Skinner, John Wright and Thomas Moreland.

Foreign Missions--G T Howerton, J W Burress, & D T Beall.

Finance--A J Dalton Rufus White and W C Harward.

Publications--W L Skinner, H R Clinkscales and T F Holt.

Observance of Sabbath and Sabbath Schools--L A Little, T B Roberts and W M Henderson.

Temperance--Jno D Bills, J R Barrett and W P Holt.

State and Associational Missions--L R Burress, W D Robinson, and W. F. McDougal.

Schools and Colleges--J H Taylor, H A Rampley, W D Conn.

Systematic Giving--J G Archer, J T Kallough, J W Muse.

Obituaries--E Z Simmons, A C Vandiver, C A Dugger.

Nominations--J H Taylor, O N J Stevenson, W L Burrow.

On motion the following reports were made special orders for to-morrow morning: State of Religion after opening and Foreign Missions at 10 o'clock.

On motion adjourned to 8:30 to-morrow morning. Committee on Devotional Service announced that elder E Z Simmons would preach at 11 o'clock to-morrow.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Association met at 8:30, a. :n Devotional exercises conducted by elder R M Perry, elders Jennings and Christian assisting in prayer. Moved that reading of minutes for correction be dispensed with. According to special order elder W L Skinner read report on

STATE OF RELIGION.

Every one is interested in the state of his own religion and also in the state of religion of others. That it varies in individuals and churches is not questioned. This makes us the more anxious to know annually the state of religion in the churches of this association. Then let us compare our present state with our state in the past. This we find, is somewhat unsatisfactory; for it will not do to be governed by numbers altogether. Some years many more have been received into our churches than this year. But is the character of those received ever better? How does this year compare with other years taking our whole work as a basis? Do we not see all along the line of

work some solid growth? Are not our people becoming better acquainted with the principles and workings of the church that gave us existence? Our pastors are becoming better informed, and we are emphasizing more these gracious truths. Never in the history of this association has there been such straightening up as during this year. This is seen in the members excluded from and restored to our fellowship. The dead and unfaithful branches must give place to the fruit bearing ones. Our mission, educational and temperance work are still on rising ground. The young ministers of our churches are quite an addition to the work and promise to be wise and good ministers of the gospel. Nearly all our churches have preaching one Sabbath in each month and three have preaching two Sabbaths in each month. The Sabbath School work never had more friends than now. Brethren, a great future is before us, but with it comes a great responsibility. Shall we be faithful to our trust? "We can do all things through Christ, who strengthens us." Respectfully submitted. W. L. SKINNER, Chm.

Discussed by elder W L Skinner and adopted.

Elder J H Taylor read the following report on

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

The manifold benefits of a christian education can scarcely be over-estimated. This can be seen in the progress of Mississippi Baptists. They are to-day the strongest denomination in the State, and perhaps nothing has helped us more in this than the Baptist schools of the State. First among these is Mississippi College. Her noble sons in the ministry and every other avocation of life have helped to elevate the standard of christian giving and christian effort for the good of mankind. Just now an earnest effort is being made to complete a $60,000 endowment for the college by Feb. 1, 1891. With land in sight, let every one do his full duty in this matter until this noble institution is put in a condition to do still more good. Add to this the Baptists of the State have eight female colleges: Blue Mountain Female College, with the gifted W T Lowery as President, is doing a noble work. The same may be said of Starkville, with T G Sellers; the central, at clinton, with Dr. Hillman; Shuqulak, with L M Stone; Lea, at Summit, with C H Otkin; Winona, with J T Zealy, and carrolton, with Z T Leavell. And then scattered over our association is a number of good academies to prepare our children for a higher education. Iuka Normal Institute, Jacinto High School, Kossuth High School,

and Chewalla High School. Let us see to it that they get t benefits to be derived from these advantages.

Respectfully submitted, J. H. TAYLOR, Chr

Discussed by elders G M Savage, E Z Simmons and bro. T Howerton and adopted as amended. The chair recogniz elder G M Savage as representative of the S W Baptist Unive sity, located at Jackson, Tenn. Also elder W G Thompson a brother B G Lowrey as messengers from Tippah associatio The special hour for report on Foreign Missions. Report w called for and read by bro. G T Howerton.

[See report printed further on.]

Elder E Z Simmons, missionary to China, filled the stand 11 o'clock and interested the large audience with a full explal tion of missionary work in China, and especially in Canton. A ter sermon, recessed for refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association reassembled at 2 o'clock, p. m. Chair called to reports. Elder W L Skinner, chm'n, read

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Dear Brethren: Your board entered upon the year's wor with St Clair Laurence in the field as missionary until Jan. 1st 1890. His salary was $25 00 per month. At a regular meetin of the board, Dec. 21, 1889, at Booneville, bro. Laurence wa continued for the year 1890, on condition that he have the bad weather in Jan., Feb. and March to remain at home and write up the histories of the churches of this association. He and his wife continued in feeble health, and he was able to gather the material of only the following churches: Burnsville, Jacinto, Mt. Providence, Mt. Gilead, New Salem, New Providence, Sardis, Piney Grove and Union Grove, No. 1. He reports having traveled 1000 miles, prayed with 104 families, preached 42 sermons attended 32 prayer meetings, sold 5000 pages of books, and 600 pages of tracts, obtained 6 subscribers to the Southern Baptist Record. He preached to Jacinto as Missionary Pastor In all he labored for six months and resigned to move to Texas. We were enabled to pay him in full for the work done, $150 00. So during the revival season and the time we expected to have the most work done, we have had no missionary in the field. A failure last year in our crops, and the endowment of our college on our hands, with the other associations in the State, your board thought it wise to let all the money raised go to the endowment and support of our college. Therefore we did not put a missionary in the field during the summer months. We regretted to

lose bro. Laurence from our association and missionary work. He was sound in the faith and a friend to missionary and educational work. We expect, by God's grace, to be gathering fruit from the seed he planted within our bounds. Our pastors, as well as our churches need to arouse themselves to a larger missionary and Sabbath school work. The treasurer's report will show the disbursement of all monies. We thank God and take courage. W. L. SKINNER, Chm.

Elder L R Burress read the following report on

STATE AND ASSOCIATION MISSIONS.

The annual reports of the secretary of the convention board of the Miss. Baptist State Convention show a continuous growth in the interest of missions in our State. This general work was undertaken in much fear and faith. Fear on the part of many that the plan would prove abortive; faith by the few that the Lord would prosper the undertaking. In this work our efficient Secretaries, Wahie, Ball, Gambrell and Christian who served consecutively in the order named, planted while the brotherhood watered and in due time the Lord gave increase. While this is true with reference to our State work, our associational work has been irregular. Like Paul, our executive board knows how "Both to abound and to suffer need," while we, as the constituency and supporters of this board, like Paul, "Have learned that whatsoever state" the board is in "to be content." Laying a charge against no one, but commending the care, wisdom and prudence of the board, we should as brethren be regular in systematic effort to supply the need. If, like Nehemiah, we would see that this work is both great and large, each of us would be persuaded to work before his own house. Each individual would thus be enlisted and effort be united to effort till the entire field is occupied. It is feared that the unwise method of measuring ourselves by ourselves in the grace of giving for the extension of the gospel has been a great hindrance to the flow of christian benefactions. Each one giving as his brother gives, rather than giving as the Lord has prospered. Give without reference to the financial ability of another, if you would be true to thyself. "And thus be above all them as the day follows the night thou canst not be false to any one." The civil life of our State needs the leaven of the gospel, for without this there can be no happy solution of any question of our civilization or any benificent permanence to our citizenship. Fidelity to our God demands faithfulness to Caesar, not only in the payment of revenue for government but in teaching Cae-

sar's household that they may become obedient to the faith. I our prayers for God's kingdom can be as earnest as our votin for Caesar, and if our contributions be as great and regular a our taxes, then will knowledge and happiness increase.

L. R. BURRESS, Chm.

The above reports discussed by elders Christian, Burress Rampley, bro's Howerton and Lowrey and adopted.

Chair called for report on Temperance. Bro. J D Bills read the following, which was discussed by elder J R Barrett and bro. J D Bills and adopted:

TEMPERANCE.

Conviction against the drink habit and traffic has never been so near in accord with the teachings of science and God's word as to-day. Upon this joyous fact we congratulate the citizenship of our great country. In our own state, of the 75 counties composing it, 40 have put the seal of disapprobation and execration upon the debauching drink traffic, and the saloon has been driven from their borders, it is hoped, never to be returned. In the religious world, all non Catholic denominations, save perhaps one, has in its great convictions outlawed, in unmeasured terms, the sale and use of all intoxicants as a beverage. The deliverances of these great religious bodies are planting convictions in the hearts of the people and quickening the public conscience to a gratifying degree. Mr. Claiborne, our own State historian, has well said that "no cause espoused by the ministry of any country has ever failed." We gratefully record the God honoring fact that the ministry of Mississippi is practically a unit in condemning the drink habit and the drink traffic. We also rejoice over the fact that those ministers who apologise for or silently consent to the sale and use of intoxicants have lost their influence with the great moral masses and are repudiated by God's hosts as by the philanthropic interests of the country. To the sympathetic christian heart it is a blessed truth that where the christian womanhood of any country gets on its knees before the Lord of victories, it is answered in answers of peace. We rejoice that the christian womanhood of this christian republic is organizing to secure the safety of its homes against the invasion of the drink traffic and its influences.

Committee on Devotional exercises made the following announcements for Sabbath services: Bro. B G Lowrey would conduct the Sabbath School at 9 o'clock. Elder G M Savage would preach at 9:30; elder G T Christian would preach at 11, and bro. L A Little, licentiate, would fill the stand at night.

Elder W L Skinner then read the following report on

PUBLICATIONS.

This is certainly an age of reading matter and reading. Everyone can have books, papers and magazines in abundance. Some are good and some are bad. Communities, families and individuals are known no more by other sources than by their literature. We need no better index to their character and life. As the pureness and impureness of food tells upon the physical man, so does his literature affect his moral and mental life. The object of this annual report on publications is to call attention to and emphasize the importance of selecting and reading wholesome books and papers. As a denomination we recommend first of books, the Bible. For information, pureness of language and life food, the Bible is the book of books. It sho'd be placed in the hands of every child as soon as it is able to read, and the fact emphasized that it and it only "can make wise unto salvation." In the next place we would call attention to our church paper, but the need of each church member is to be as intimate as possible with the internal workings of his church, and the closest surroundings with the work of his church. He should know the need and workings of his neighbor churches and his neighbor associations. The Southern Baptist Record is laboring to furnish you just such information. The reader is inspired to faithfulness in every good work. He sees what his neighbors are doing and their reasons for so doing. We can hope for improvement only in proportion to the information of our people. Every pastor should strive to enlist his members in taking and reading the Southern Baptist Record. Then we have the Foreign Mission Journal to keep us informed upon foreign missions. Those who read this journal are usually posted about our works and in sympathy with it. Also we have our Home Field which tells us monthly about our Indian work and our Cuban work, and the destitution throughout our Southland. We must know these things before we can rightly appreciate the field and the work and act in accord with other workers. No denomination is better supplied with Sabbath school literature than the Baptist. The Kind Word series, published by our Sunday school board at Louisville, Ky., and the Sabbath school series, published at Philadelphia, by the American Baptist Publication Society. They are graded so every child can study the same lesson of Scripture every Sabbath. These are helps indeed to the study of God's word. We heartily recommend the Baptist Book House at Jackson, Miss. Bro.

Christian can furnish you with any book you may want. As willing people, a people for precept and example with all ou publication resources, let us be diligent in every good wor and work.

W. L. SKINNER, Chm.

Spoken to by elder W. L. Skinner and adopted.

On motion the report on Sabbath Schools and Observance of the Sabbath was made special order for to-morrow afternoon. On motion association adjourned to 1:30 p. m., tomorrow.

SUNDAY.

The body met at 1:30. p. m. After prayer, led by bro. G. T. Howerton, chair called for Report on Sabbath Schools and Proper Observance of the Sabbath. Bro. L A Little read the following report on same:

Your committee on Sabbath Schools and Sabbath Observance report that the schools throughout the association are efficiently organized and are formally at work. Never have they been better. We find schools at almost all of the churches in the association. We are sorry that there exists to a great degree on the part of some of the parents an indifference of engaging in the cause of Sunday Schools and that in some places the Sabbath is not observed. The committee would impress the delegates with the importance of working prayerfully with the weak schools, organizing where there is none, and further recommend that we march with steady step into the ranks of those who are enemies to the proper observance of the Sabbath. We feel warranted in saying that the Sunday School of the present day denotes the prosperity of the church in which it is conducted. From the S. S. we get most of our members and from its influence the Sabbath will be observed as the Lord's day. In it will the young people be grounded in the great truths of the Bible. "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Have christian teachers and Baptist literature.

L. A. LITTLE, Chm.

The above report was advocated by bro. L. A. Little and the same was adopted. On motion the following program of SS Institute was adopted: 1st Topic: The School and the Home; what are their relations? How may they help each other? Discussed by elders E Z Simmons and J R Barrett. 2nd Topic: The School and the church; what are their mutual relations and obligations? Discussed by bro's G T Howerton, J W Burress and W L Skinner. 3rd Topic: The school officered—the duties of all officers considered. Discussed by bro. J D Bills and elders

J T Killough and H A Rampley. 4th Topic: The School's success—what is it? What hinders and promotes it? Discussed by elders L R Burress and J H Taylor and bro. W C Harward. 5th Topic: The Teacher; preparing himself; preparing the lesson; teaching the lesson. By elders J O Berry and J G Archer and an essay by Miss Mattie Henderson, which on motion was ordered printed in the minutes.

THE TEACHER.

The Sunday School teacher holds a very responsible position, for he has in his charge in a most important sense, the care of immortal souls. Therefore he should be an earnest and intelligent christian worker, with his heart and mind in the work, and full of love to God and love to man. He should study diligently to imitate the great model Teacher, who did the will of the Father. How may the teacher prepare himself for this grand work? By a prayerful study of God's word, which makes him stronger and more Christ-like. "Prayer is the key that unlocks the Word." The teacher's present instructions are determined by his past efforts, and he should remember that "He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly, and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully."

No one can be a true Sunday school teacher unless he is an ardent student of the Bible at the same time. But who would not deem it a privilege to study this grand history, which is so ancient and yet so new!

To the prayerful student it unfolds each day some new and even unsought for truths, and to the diligent searcher it is an inexhaustible mine of wisdom. The teacher should have the most important points, especially the most important practical points in each lesson vividly impressed upon his own mind so as to be able to impress them upon the minds of his pupils in such a way as to edify the christians and promote their growth in grace, and awaken a religious interest in the minds of the careless and unconcerned, and point out to them the straight and narrow way that leads to life eternal. Being thus prepared he will be enabled to "Bring forth out of his treasure, things new and old" and show himself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. How to teach —to a true teacher naturally suggests itself, owing to his class and surroundings. Therefore there are different methods of teaching practiced by different teachers. Each one practices that mode of teaching as seems to

him best. Usually the interrogatory and lecture methods of teaching are perhaps preferable for all primary and intermediate teachers, but whatever plan may be adopted in order to the best success it is absolutely necessary that the teacher know something that is worth teaching, and that he can teach. He should prove to his class that there is power in his words, and that his own heart is filled with spiritual truths. May our teachers who have been called to the high service of teaching the word of God realize the responsibility and prepare themselves better for the grand work in which they are engaged!

MATTIE E. HENDERSON.

On motion association adjourned to 8:30 o'clock to-morrow.

MONDAY.

Association met at 8:30 o'clock, a. m., according to adjournment. Prayer by elder W D Robinson. Minutes read, corrected and approved. The committee on nominations recommended and the body elected the following as members of the Executive Board for the ensuing year: W L Skinner, L R Burress. J D Bills, T W Jones, J V Alexander, T F Holt, J W Burress, and Moderator and Clerk, ex-officio.

FINANCE.

We, your committee on Finance report that we have collected $39.95 for minutes. A. J. DALTON, Chm.

Report on Obituaries read by bro. C A Duggar and adopted.

OBITUARIES.

While we have been so graciously blessed the past year by our heavenly Father, He has seen fit to take from us some of the most earnest workers of our association. Yet while this is being done we would not call in question the justice of God, or doubt his wise management, for we know that "All things work out for the best to thuse who love him," and that those who are taken from us are only called from labor to rest. Your committee has been able to obtain the following names of the dead: Corinth, L M New, John A Coke, A L Boone.

Iuka, Sam F Beall, Sisters Dora Holt and Marcella Bowers.

Mt Olive, Sisters Lucinda M Magee and Ellen Roland.

Hinkle Creek, Sister Ve Bray.

Chewalla, bro's J F Gurley and Eddy Gurley.

Shiloh, Deacon James Ferrell.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. DUGGER, Chm.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

Report read by elder J G Archer. This we consider the most important subject that is to be considered by this association. The success of missions, both home and foreign, depend upon what we give to their support. The success of our churches depends upon what we do in the matter of giving. Our own spiritual strength also depends greatly upon what we do in support of these things by contributing of our substance. And as all things are done best which are done systematically we recommend that some system be adopted by each person.

Respectfully submitted, J. G. ARCHER, Chm.

After speeches by elders Archer, Rampley, Barrett, Berry and others on motion the report was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to the good people of Hinkle Creek for the excellent manner in which the association has been entertained.

2nd. Resolved, That ten dollars be paid the clerk for services. After paying for the minutes, the rest of minute money be paid to executive board.

The following committee appointed at last session of this body to report at this session, was continued to report at next session. On history of Hinkle Creek and Osborne Creek Churches. Elders J H Taylor, W M Henderson, bro. T W Jones.

Sister Ella C Boone was elected Vice President of Woman's Missionary Work, sister R A Seay having resigned.

The chair announced the business of the association as finished, and on motion adjourned to meet with Osborne Creek Church, 4½ miles south-west of Booneville, M & O R R, on Friday before the 1st Lord's day in October, 1891, at 8:30, a.m. A few feeling remarks made by the Moderator. The choir sung "God be with you till we meet again," and the parting hand was given to each other amid tears and thankful hearts separated to meet again, if not in this world, in the "Sweet bye and bye."

J. S. BERRY, Mod.

W. A. RICHARDSON, Clerk.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We learn from the New Testament that primitive Baptists were foreign missionaries, and if we wish to be worthy of being called their successors, we must preserve the spirit of missions. Again; if this gospel of the kingdom is to be preached in all na-

tions for a witness, Baptists must preach it and it therefore becomes the duty of our own denomination to give freely of their means for the evangelization of the world. To this end, we recommend, 1st, That our pastors preach at least one sermon each year on foreign missions. 2nd, That each church be urged to have some system of giving to this work. 3rd, That all pastors labor for the circulation of the Foreign Mission Journal and the Southern Baptist Record. We are glad to be able to report that there are now many encouragements to Baptists in all the fields where our missionaries are at work—and we regard this as a very auspicious time in the world's history for the spread of Baptist principles. G. T. HOWERTON, Chm.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Minutes—Antioch No 1, .75; Antioch No 2, .60; Baldwyn, 2.00; Brush Creek, .50; Booneville, .45; Corinth, 2.50; County Line, .90; Cane Creek, 1.00; Chewalla, 1.00; Cayce Creek, .80; Coln's Chapel, .75; Evergreen, .50; Fellowship, .60, Farmington, 1.oc; Glendale, .5o; Gaston, 60, Hinkle Creek, 1.50, Harmony, 75, Iuka 3.00, Jacinto 40, Kossuth 2.co, Meadow Creek 1,10, Mt Pleasant 50, MtOlive 4.00, MtProvidence 30, MtGilead 70, MtSinai 60, New Salem 1.00, Osborne Cr'k 1.50, Oak Hill 1.35, Piney Grove 70, Rienzi 15, Shady Grove 1.00, Shiloh 1.50, Sardis 50, Tuscumbia 1.35, Union 80, Union Grove No 1 30, Rocky Mt 50. Total ..... $39.95.

State and Assocational Missions—Corinth 58.25, Kossuth 12.55, Booneville 26.00, Glendale .80, Hinkle Creek 7.00, Iuka 21.70, Cane Creek 2.00. Cayce Creek 2.00, Oak Hill 2.70, Jacinto 6.00, Fellowship 2.80, Antioch No 2 2.60, Meadow Creek 4.75, Baldwyn, 88.75. Total.....$237.90

Foreign Missions---Kossuth 14.95, Corinth 9.85, Iuka 8.50, Mt Olive 17.75, Hinkle Creek 5.00, Piney Grove 2.35, Glendale 1.00. Total 59.70

Pastor's Salary.---Corinth 480.00, Kossuth 200.00, Booneville 250.00, Iuka 300.00, Hinkle Creek 100.00, Baldwyn 150.00, Antioch No 2 50.00, Glendale 25.00, Oak Hill 50.00, Farmington 50.00, MtOlive 190.95, Gaston 50.00, Union 75.00 Mt Gilead 15.00. Total $1 985.95

Endowment Mississippi College---Corinth 608.75; Kossuth 100.00, Booneville 25.00, Iuka 60.00. Total.....$793.75

Ministerial Relief—Corinth 10.50, Farmington 25.00. Total.....$35.50

Ministerial Education---Corinth 6.05, Kossuth 5.00, Booneville 5.00, Baldwyn 20.00, Hinkle Creek 5.00,.....$41.05.

Other Expenses---Antioch No 2, 8,00, Mt Olive 5.00, Cane Creek 31.00, Booneville 77.50, Iuka 81.80, Piney Grove, 2.00.

Total $205.30

Grand Total.....$3,399.10

RULES OF ORDER.

Art. 1. The Association shall be opened with prayer.

2 The Moderator shall be considered the judge of order, but any member not satisfied with his decision may appeal, provided the appeal be made on the same day, but at no subsequent time.

3 The moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege o speaking as members, but not to vote, unless his vote be necessary to decide a question. If he rises to speak he shall call some other brother to the chair.

4 All questions brought up before the association shall be introduced by motion, and if seconded shall be opened for discussion, unless withdrawn by the mover or his second. When a subject has been taken up and a reasonable time allowed for discussion, the moderator shall take the vote by yeas and nays and if a call for a division be made it shall be decided by members rising.

5 Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the moderator. Only one member shall be allowed to speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject or make personal reflections.

6 No person shall speak more than once on the same subject until all who wish to speak shall have had an opportunity; not more than twice upon any subject without permission.

7 Every question introduced for discussion shall be decided before another is offered, unless it be laid over, on motion, with the consent of the mover of the resolution.

8 The association shall in all cases be governed by a majority of the members present,except in the reception of churches, then a unanimous vote shall be required. But in no case shall one member or church prevent the reception of a church without sufficient cause shown, which shall be determined by a majority.

9 The names of the members shall be called whenever the

association shall direct and the absentees marked. Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission of the moderator.

10 The appellation of brother shall be used by members in addressing each other.

11 Any member violating these rules shall be subject to be reproved by the moderator, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

11 Amendments or alterations may be made to these rules when a majority may deem it necessary.

ABSTRACT OF FAITH.

Art. 1. We believe in the only living and true God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2 We believe the Bible to be the word of God, and it is our only rule of faith and practice.

3 We believe in the total depravity of human nature, and that man is dead in trespass and sin.

4 We believe that salvation is the gift of God by grace thro' faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and that sinners are justified in the sight of God alone by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ which is unto all and with all them that believe.

5 We believe in the doctrine of Election, that God has from the beginning chosen us to salvation through sanctification of the spirit and belief of the truth.

6 We believe that the Holy Spirit accompanies the word of God in the salvation of man, in answer to the prayer of christians.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of saints, and that all all who truly believe shall be eternally saved.

8 We believe that baptism is immersion alone, and that none but true believers are proper subjects of the ordinance and that none but regularly baptized and ordained ministers have a right to administer it, and that it is a pre-requisite to the Lord's Supper, and all who come to the Lord's table must come accordin; o the Lord's word.

9 We believe that a gospel church is a body of true believers in Christ who have been regularly baptized upon a profession of their faith in Him and that there are but two officers in a church, viz: the Elder or pastor and deacon.

10 We believe it to be the duty of each church to extend and circulate the word of God as far as their means will enable them.

11 We believe in the resurrection of all men and in a future and general judgement, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

COVENANT.

[Adopted in 1860 at the formation of the Association and afterwards ratified by the churches.]

Art. 1. We, as independent churches of Jesus Christ, do mutually covenant to unite our efforts and influence for the advancement of the cause of Christ, under the title of the Tishomtngo Baptist Association.

2 We agree to hold annual meetings to be composed of delegates chosen by the respective churches, bearing letters to be read at the opening of the meeting, showing their appointment and also showing the number received by baptism, by letter, by restoration, and dismissed by letter, excluded or dead, together with the whole number in fellowship. Also average No. of Sunday school pupils, and number of conversions; amounts contributed to Associational missions, State missions, Foreign missions, ministerial education, support of pastors, church expenses, church improvements and total expended.

3 We agree that every church belonging to this body shall be entitled to three delegates, until they number 100 members, then one for every hundred above that number.

4 When any church shall fail to communicate with this body for three successive meetings, it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us, and will be dropped from the minutes, unless two or more members shall request its continuance, and will also engage to enquire into its standing and report at the next annual meeting.

5 Other churches may be admitted into this union by signifying their wish by letter and delegates, provided they be deemed scriptural.

6 We will elect a Moderator and clerk by ballot at each annual meetlng as soon as the letters from the churches are read and the member's names enrolled; letters from petitionary churches being received that their delegates may also have the privilege of voting.

7 We disclaim the right to adopt rules that can at any time intringe upon the independence and rights of the churches. We may, however, advise churches when they request it and will withdraw from such as become heretical in doctrine and disorderly in discipline.

8 We will nave an Executive Board composed of 7 members, elected annually, and the Moderator and clerk, whose duty it shall be to take charge of all the funds sent up by the churches and dispose of the same as the churches may direct

and to take oversight of all missions and colportage in the bounds of the association not otherwise provided for.

9 We will correspond with sister associations. Any member of this body whose name appears on our minutes is authorized to represent us in other religious bodies.

10 We will have our minutes read, corrected 'and signed by the Moderator and clerk before the session rises and will not adjourn, except in extraordinary cases, until all the business is finished.

11 We will, while convenient, appoint the time and place for holding the next annual meeting of this body and elect a bro. to preach associational sermon. The association may make such alterations and amendments to the covenant as two thd's of the members may deem necessary.

UNION MEETINGS, 1891.

The union meeting of the 1st district meets with the church at Fellowship on Thursday before the 1st Sunday in Aug., 91. Elder J G Archer to preach the introductory sermon. Elder T B Roberts, alternate.

The union meeting of the 2nd district meets with Piney Grove church, on Thursday before the 5th Sunday in August, 1891.

PROGRAM.

Does Predestination include a definite number ? W L Skinner.

Duty of Deacons. J H Taylor.

Duty of Prayer. J C Hughes.

Who are the elect and how? W L Norman.

Is it right to affiliate with other ministers of other churches or not ? B F Taylor.

Dancing: Is it wrong ? J R Barrett.

Temperance. J F. White.

Missions. J D Bills.

Conscience: What is it ? J Skinner.

The Power of the will. J O Looney, J L Gray, J C Hughes.

Heaven: what is it ? H C Gilbert.

Is the Lord's Supper a Church ordinance ? G H Savage.

Do saints go immediately to heaven when they die ? W C Butler.

Call to the ministry. Tho's Moreland.

Were the ten virgins all christians ? J L Gray.

Is anything baptism except immersion ? J Q Melton and A M Belcher.

How do we come in possession of brotherly love ? W D Robinson, c A Dugger and J W Loveless.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W L Skinner,	Corinth, Miss.	E Z Simmons,	Canton, China.
J H Taylor,	Kossuth "	J R Barret,	Kossuth, Miss.
J T Killough	"	J G Archer,	Booneville, "
J S Berry	Baldwyn	J L Gray	Burnsville
H C Gilbert	Corinth	W L Norman	Eagle
w M Henderson	Hinkle	H A Rampley	Baldwyn
H C Spencer,	Burrow	T R Willet	Burnsville
J F Russell	Silver Springs,	J Skinner	Burnsville
J Byrd	Hightown	James Chambers	Burnsville
B F Taylor	Iuka	L R Burress	Baldwyn
S D Chapman	Geeville	A C Vandiver	Geeville
W W Whittaker	Corinth	J T Harris	Rienzi

Tho's Moreland, Chewalla, Tenn.

LICENTIATES.

J L Lowe, Corinth; J W Loveless, Burnsville; B F Myham, Eagle; W P Holt, Iuka; C A Dugger, Iuka; T E Spain, Booneville J W Petty, Booneville; Geo Davis & B Robinson, Silver Springs; L A Little, Booneville.

DELEGATES.

Antioch No 1, J F Russell, J C Dickson, N C Glover.
" " 2, W M Bynum, A B Norman, James Bynum.
Baldwyn, J S Berry, J W Burress.
Burnsville, T N Harris.
Brush Creek, W L Burrow, Jesse Wilbanks.
Booneville, J G Archer, W S Povall.
Corinth, J D Bills, W L Skinner.
Connty Line, H A Rampley.
Cane Creek, Jeff Smith, M S McClamrock.
Chewalla, Tho's Moreland.
Concord, P D Rushing, D M Voyles.
Cayce Creek, W J Thompson.
Coln's Chapel, Jas Simpkins, W A Hardin, C Knight.
Evergreen, J C Henderson, B H Rogers, P R Rogers.
Fellowship, R C White.
Farmington, F P Smith, G W Graham.
Glendale, H C Gilbert, J F White.
Gaston, B w Holmes, D T Beall.
Hinkle, w M Henderson, T F Holt, Lewis Savage.
Harmony, J N Greer, wm Carroll, Robert James.

Iuka, w P Holt, G T Howerton.
Jacinto, w D Robinson, James Ellige.
Kossuth, J H Taylor, E Z Simmons, D R Hooker.
Meadow creek, Sam Everett.
Mt Pleasant. J M Burcham.
" Olive; L R Burress, A C Vandiver.
" Providence, E L Long.
" Gilead, J H Woodley, J H Glen.
" Sinai. F w carpenter. James carpenter.
New Salem, G B Norris, w F McDougal.
Osborne creek, A J Dalton, J w Muse.
Oak Hill, T B Roberts.
Piney Grove, A Q Yarbrough, A M Belcher, T S Yarbrough.
Rienzi, G H Savage.
Shady Grove, M S Brown, w E Gray.
Shiloh, O N J Stephenson.
Sardis, J T Barnett.
Tuscumbia, w G Dixon, R J Gossett, Tommie Dixon.
Union, Perry Maricle, L N Sweet.
Union Grove, No 1, J w Martin.

TREASURER'S REPORT TO EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Oct. 1889.	To cash rec'd for minutes	$42 00
" " " " "	" State convention Board	259 88
" " " " "	" Foreign Missions	62 09
" " " " "	" Ministerial Education	1 20
		$365.17
Oct. 1889.	By am't paid clerk for services	10 00
	" " " G D Winston	27 50
	" Postage and expense acc'ts	2 50
	" am't paid State convention board	49 66
	" " " St clair Lawrance, Missionary	126 22
	" " " Foreign missions	62 09
	" " " Ministerial education	1 20
	" " " Mississippi College	50 00
		$329 17

Balance on hand, ... $32 00.

W. A. Richardson, Treasurer.

Sunday School Statistics and Contributions.

School.	Superintendents.	Postoffice.	Scholars Number	Av. Attend'ce	contributn's Total
Corinth	E S Candler	Corinth	136	75	91.35
Kossuth	W C Harward	Kossuth	60	30	15.25
Booneville	J V Alexander	Booneville	68	40	25.00
Baldwyn	J W Burress	Baldwyn	....	30	38.35
Hinkle creek	J A Gray	Hinkle	62	56	30.00
Glendale	H Hine	Eagle	15	15	....
Piney Grove	J Q Melton	Rienzi	30	20	....
Iuka	H R Clinkscales	Iuka	78	57	17.25
Antioch No 2	W M Bynum	Rienzi	35	20	1.00
Farmington	G W Graham	Corinth	56	34	7.00
Pott's S H	E F Romine	"	67	56	4.50
Osborne cre'k	.....	.....	....	....	2.75
Union	J W Doggett	Hightown	49	30	4.25
Mt Olive	M Franks	Geeville	74	45	27.00
.....			730	508	263.45

Contributions of the Woman's Mission Societies.

Society of church	Sustentation Ministerial	Education	Foreign Missio's	State Missions	Endowment	Home Uses	Total
Booneville		40	1.60	5.00	25.00	....	32.00
Hinkle creek	1.20		1.00	2.50	10.00	18.00	32.70
Corinth	6.05	17.50		5.00	5.00	67.35	109.90
Kossuth					15.00	53.55	68.55
Iuka					20.00	45.00	65.00

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Post Office.	Pastors.	Rec. by baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Dead
Antioch No 1	Silver Springs	J R Barrett	16	1		2	1	1
" " 2	Rienzi	do	4			17		1
Baldwyn	Baldwyn	L R Burress		6		6	7	1
Burnsville	Burnsville	James Gray	4	6				1
Brush creek	Burrow	W C butler	4	2				
Booneville	Booneville	J H Taylor	2	9		5		
Bethel	Pickwick, Tenn.	no report						
Corinth	Corinth	W L Skinner	8	21		8	4	3
county Line	Baldwyn	H A Rampley	12	4			1	
Cane creek	Wenesoga	J G Archer	16	1	1	7	3	2
Chewalla	chewalla, Tenn.	W L Norman		6		3		1
Concord	Dry Run	J M McElroy				1		
cayce creek	Baldwyn	J A Mccully	9	5				
Coln's chapel	corinth	R J Jennings	1			1		3
Evergreen	Kossuth	w O Huff	3	3				
Fellowship	Bethany	S D chapman		3		2	4	1
Farmington	corinth	b F Taylor				13	3	2
Glendale	Eagle	w M Henderson		4		1		
Gaston	Booneville	J R barrett	1	1		1		
Hinkle creek	Hinkle	J H Taylor	15	1		7	1	1
Harmony	Kendrick	J Hoover	7	1				
Iuka	Iuka	w L Skinner	6	7	1	6	1	3
Jacinto	Jacinto	Stclair Laurance		1		1		
Kossuth	Kossuth	J H Taylor	11	12		11		
Meadow creek	Booneville	w M Henderson	1		2	4	1	
Mt Pleasant	Jacinto	J C Hughes	1			1		
" Olive	Geeville	L R burress	3	3		30		2
" Providence	Burton's	w D Robinson		1				
" Gilead	Iuka	J Skinner	3					2
" Sinai	Hatchie	A c Vandiver	5					
New Salem	Burnsville	b F Taylor	2			4		1
New Provd'ce	Iuka	no report						
Osborn creek	Booneville	T b Roberts	2	3		6		
Oak Hill	Geeville	do		2		14	3	
Piney Grove	Rienzi	G H Savage	2	1		3	1	
Rocky Mount	Geeville	no report						
Rienzi	Rienzi	" "						
Shady Grove	corinth	w L Norman			1		3	
Shiloh	Gift	w G Thompson	2	3		6	1	5
Sardis	Burnsville	J L Gray						
Tuscumbia	chewalla, Tenn.	w c butler	6	6	1			1
Union	Hightown	J R barrett	8	3		19	1	1
" Grove no 1	Burnt Mills	no pastor	1	1		5		
" " " 2	Marietta	no pastor						
Totals			155	117	6	174	35	32

Total Number	2	1	1	79
Dead	7		1	61
Excluded	6	7	1	39
Dis. by Letter			1	50
				32
	5			77
				40
	8	4	3	115
		1		27
	7	3	2	116
	3		1	62
	1			31
				27
	1		3	45
				32
	2	4	1	52
	3	3	2	104
	1			57
	1			57
	7	1	1	95
				45
	6	1	3	102
	1			13
	1			92
	4	1		60
	1			19
	0		2	195
				32
			2	99
				14
	4		1	77
				26
	6			121
	4	3		68
	3	1		48
				28
				9
		3		34
	6	1	5	126
				61
			1	67
	9	1	1	149
	6			37
				18
	35	32	27	38

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OF THE

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Tishomingo Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

OSBORNE CREEK CHURCH,

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October 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1891.

OFFICERS.

JNO. D. BILLS..... Moderator.
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EXECUTIVE BOARD.

J. W. BURRESS, Chm.; W. A. RICHARDSON, Sec.; J. V. ALEXANDER, T. W. JONES, T. F. HOLT, L. R. BURRESS, W. A. STRICKLAND, C. A. DUGGAR and J. D. BILLS.

NEXT MEETING.—Burnsville, on M. & C. R. R., Friday before 1st Lord's day in Oct., 1892, at 8½ o'clock, a. m.

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PRENTISS COUNTY, MISS., October 2nd, 1891.

The Tishomingo Baptist Association met with the Osborne Creek Baptist Church, Friday before the 1st Lord's day in October, 1891, at 8:30 a.m.

The former Moderator being absent the body was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion, one half hour was spent in devotional exercises, conducted by Elder W. A. McComb. Elder L. R. Burress was on motion elected temporary moderator.

Elder W. A. McComb and Brother J. W. Smith, were appointed reading clerks. Letters called for and read from the following churches, viz :

Booneville, Kossuth, Mt. Olive, Oak Hill, Baldwyn, Corinth, Union, Farmington, and Piney Grove.

No other letters being presented the Association bowed in prayer, led by Elder H. A. Rampley.

And, after some remarks by brother J. D. Bills and elder L. R. Burress, letters were presented and read from Rienzi. Mt. Pleasant, Antioch No. 1, Osborne Creek, and New Salem churches.

An invitation was extended to visiting brethren.

Proceeded to permanent organization.

The chair appointed elder S. G. Cooper and brother W. L. Hopkins as tellers, to conduct and announce result of election for Moderator and Clerk.

J. D. Bills was announced as elected moderator, and W. A. Richardson clerk.

On taking the chair, brother Bills made a few remarks—and the body proceeded to business.

Letters were handed in and read from Brush Creek, Shiloh, Lone Oak, Hinkle Creek, Gaston, Glendale and Fellowship churches. The hour of 11 o'clock being announced, suspended business to hear the Associational sermon preached by elder J. S. Berry—theme, God's sovereignty and man's responsibility.

The moderator announced the following—committee on state of religion, J. R. Barrett, C. A. Dugger and —— McCarley.

On motion, adjourned for refreshments until 1:30 p.m.

EVENING SESSION.

Association met at hour appointed. Prayer offered by elder W. A. McComb.

Letters read from County Line, Tuscumbia, Iuka, Gilead, Jacinto, Sardis, and Meadow Creek churches.

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3. Appoint messengers to other religious bodies.

4. Call for reports.

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State and Associational Missions—J. H. Taylor, J. R. Burre B. H. Rogers, J. H. White and James Hubbard.

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Nominations—J. D. Burge, J. A. Gray and J. F. Morris.

Census—J. W. Burress, J. S. Berry, J. A. Gray and J. W Smith.

Delegates to Mississippi Baptist Convention which meets a Meridian, on Thursday before the 4th Lord's day of July, 1892— H. A. Rampley, S. Berry, L. A. Little, J. H. Taylor, W. A

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Chair called for Report on state of Religion: presented and read by elder J. R. Barrett.

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J. R. Barrett, Chairman.

Discussed by brethren Barrett, McComb, Hughes, Burress, Dugger, Rampley, Jones, Bills and Gambrell,—adopted.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell was received and recognized as representing the Southern Baptist Record.

The following report was read, and after being discussed by elder L. R. Burress, the further discussion was postponed until to-morrow.

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hundred years those who remained on the surface, or at ho have been bidden "hold the rope." In these years the Gos has found its way to every continent of the globe. Hundr of laborers have been employed; thousands of hopeful c verts have been discipled and gathered into churches; milli at home have been combining in benevolent energies to crease the number of laborers and push the work to the utt most parts of the earth. Such a retrospective view of trend of our fathers and brethren in the faith, under div providence, in behalf of these enterprises, keeps our hearts while humbled with God's blessings—cheerful and buoya Let us be exhorted to "thank God, and take courage," as obedience to the great command, the Lord's army goes f ward to the fulfillment of the divine decree for the evangeli tion of the world. There is need that the laborers be multipli and that the forward movement be hastened. Thousands cities and communities, with their millions of people, have n been struck by the gospel at all. From many of these com "the Macedonian cry," and the response is of necessity, "n now." Not now, for the laborers are few. Not now, for t offerings are meager. Yet soon these millions must enter in a Christless death and into a Christless eternity! If they cou but hear the words—"now, God commandeth all men eve where to repent;" angels might have occasion to rejoice ov their repentance. But, not now, as the words of salvatio have not come unto them. How long, oh! Lord of Host till thy friends send the message of life unto those for who Christ died, and for whom he gave his ascension comman "O Lord! may we not make void thy law." Our blessings a home means an extension of mercies abroad. David praye "God be merciful to us and bless us, and cause His face t shine upon us that thy way may be known upon the earth and thy saving health among all nations." "God shall bles us; and all the nations of the earth shall fear him." Ps. 67 In God's light we see light, and let us walk in the light as h is in the light. "and all nations shall call him blessed."

To this end may our people have a heart for the cries o those who have gone down into "the well" and for those i the deep pit. As "we (that I say not ye,) hear the pathetic appeals of our Simmons and his co-laborers, and the cries o the blinded heathen, let us bring abundant offerings that ou missions may be reinforced, and extended by men and women who are saying, 'Here am I, send me.'"

Would not superabundant blessings fall upon our churches at home from the open windows of heaven? He who com- manded, "Go ye into all the world" said, in reference to

these offerings, "He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly," and which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man, according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work."I–II Cor. ix, 6–8. While by the experiment of this ministration they glorify God for your professed subjection unto the gospel of Christ, and for your liberal distribution unto them, and unto all men; and by their prayer for you which long after you for the exceeding grace of God in you. II. Cor. 9.13–14—"Now ye Phillpians know also that in the beginning of the gospel when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only. For even in Thessalonica, ye sent once and again unto my necessity, I having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you an odor of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, well pleasing to God. Phillipians, 4:15–18. These Scriptures, with others, teach us the means ordained of God to send the gospel to all the world.

In view of these things your committee recommend that the association, through her moderator, appoint a committee of five which shall be styled the Centennial Missionary committee. The duty of this committee shall be to arrange for appropriate meetings for Foreign missionary purposes, in any or all the churches of the association between this date and May 1st, 1893, and that the committee co-operate with a similar committee appointed by the Southern Baptist convention.

In looking over the field, which is the world, our attention must be held to consider the demands of our Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. If we would be strong from home we must be successful at home. Our own people must have the bread of life or they will sink into common ruin with the heathen. The Indians, who are being driven to extermination, must have a chance to accept "citizen-ship in heaven," and share in "that inheritance reserved in heaven for you who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation."

Systematic giving must be encouraged and practiced to attain the ends looked for in this report. Let this commandment be laid to every heart—"Now, concerning the collections for the Saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God has prospered him.'—1. Corinthians, 16:1–2.

This would insure regularity, equality and sufficiency. Wit this system and "the word of God dwelling in us richly" an the Holy Ghost shedding abroad the love of God in our heart we would say in the spirit of our great teacher: "Thy king dom come: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

L. R. BURRESS, Chm'n.

The Association bowed in prayer for Brother and Siste Simmons, missionaries to China, led by elder J. H. Taylor.

The committee on devotional exercises reported that elde S. G. Cooper would preach to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

On motion, adjourned till to-morrow at 8:30 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING.—Body met at the appointed hou 8:30 a.m., after singing "Come thou fount" etc. joined i prayer, led by elder W. A. McComb, and a selection of scrip ture read by the Moderator; Matthew 5:13-16, and praye offered by Dr. J. B. Gambrell, proceeded to business.

On motion, the rules were suspended to decide on the tim and place for holding the next session of this body—whe Burnsville was selected as the place; and, after some discussio by a number of brethren, Friday, before the first Lord's da in October, 1892, at 8:30 o'clock was agreed upon as th time.

The Reports on Home and Foreign missions, and Syste matic Giving, was discussed by elders Cooper, Gambrell an McComb.

The hour for preaching, 11 o'clock, was announced and th stand was filled by elder S. G. Cooper, subject: the Resurre tion. Adjourned for refreshments.

SATURDAY EVENING.—Association met at 1:30 p.m. Oper ed with prayer, led by elder L. R. Burress.

On motion, the report on Home and Foreign missions an Systematic giving, was adopted.

Elder J. H. Taylor read the following report on State an Associational missions.

Your committee beg leave to report: That the good wor begun years ago in the destitute portions of our state, ha gone steadily on. Under the divine blessing many souls hav been brought to Christ. Many weak churches have bee strengthened and many new churches established. God ha greatly blessed our labor, but much remains to be done About 540,000 of the white population in the state, besides th colored people, demand our prayerful attention. Within th bounds of our own association there are near 30,000 white an black, the interest of whose souls should be looked afte Many of these are without salvation. Development we a need. We recommend—

1. A more helpful co-operation with state board; let us give more.

2. That a systematic missionary work be done in the destitute parts of our association. Let services be held at least once a month.

3. A thorough cultivation of all the fields occupied by the pastors. Let them see to it that all in their respective fields have the word of life presented to them.

J. H. TAYLOR, Chm'n.

Brother J. W. Burress, Chairman Executive Board, read report of the board, when the above reports were discussed by elders Rampley, Burress, Gambrell Barrett and Taylor:

On motion, the report on state and associational missions were adopted.

By request, letters of dismission were granted the following churches, to-wit: Harmony, Shady Grove, Bethel, and Fairview. Detained letters presented and read, from Union Grove No. 1, and Chewalla.

Report of Woman's Work, read by elder W. A. McComb, and ordered spread on our minutes.

Report of the Women and Young People's Societies of the churches of the Tishomingo Association, to the Association in session at Osborne Creek Baptist church, Greeting: Dear Brethren—We report the following statistics of work done during the year, from October 1, 1890, to October 1, 1891—

Corinth Baptist Church: Woman's Aid Society, Mississippi College and State missions	$ 8 50
Foreign Missions	1 95
Ministerial Education	3 00
Home uses	347 49
Total for Woman's Aid Society	$360 94
Willing Workers. State Missions and Miss. College	$ 2 50
Ministerial Education	4 00
Home uses	128 25
Total Willing Workers	$134 75
Gleaners, Home uses	55 00
Total for Corinth Baptist Church Societies	$550 69

Hinkle Creek Baptist Church: Woman's Mission Society.

Foreign Missions	$2 00

124.56
261.77
5.95
3.50

424.78
28.
5.
20.
477.78

Booneville Baptist Church: Woman's Missionary Society,

Foreign Missions	$ 2
State Missions	8
Mississippi College Endowment	15
Home uses	102
Total	$127

Rienzi Baptist Church: Woman's Missionary Society—

Missions	$ 3
Mississippi College Endowment	4
Total	$7

Iuka Baptist Church: Woman's Missionary Society—

Endowment Mississippi College	$17 9
Home uses	48 0
Foreign Missions	10 6
Total	$76 5

Kossuth Baptist Church:

Foreign Missions	$ 1 8
Home Missions	1 3
Home uses	19 73
Total	$23 1

Piney Grove Baptist Church:

Home uses	$9 50

Baldwyn Baptist Church: Woman's Missionary Society.

State Missions	$3 50

Mount Olive Baptist Church: Woman's Missionary Society.

State missions	$ 3 50
Endowment Mississppi College	5 00
Havana Church, Cuba	55
Sustentation	8 50
Home uses	14 55
Total	$ 32 10

Grand total for all the Societies of the Association. $831 55

This report is not what we desire it should be, nor is it what it might be if an acconnt of all the work done by the ladies of the association had been recorded and reported. We desire to urge the Pastors to encourage the ladies of their church to organize and keep a record of all work done by them, and report the same each year, to a woman's meeting, which will be held in connection with the association. We thank the brethren for the encouragement they have given us, and also for the page they have given us in the minutes of the association, for the purpose of publishing our work. Respectfully submitted.

Mrs. Mary Curlee, President.

Mrs. W. A. McComb, Rec. Secretary.

The following report on Temperance was read by elder H. A. Rampley, and after speeches by elders Rampley, Taylor, Burress, Gambrell and brother Mott Burge, was on motion, adopted.

Your committee begs leave to report the following: It is an unmistakable fact that the whisky traffic must go, for it is the honest conviction of all thinking people, that it has long been a curse to our country and a nuisance to our rising generation. And what is detrimental and hurtful to the development and best interest of the present and rising generation, morally, mentally or religiously, should be, at all hazards banished, by the help of the Lord from our midst. When we take a view at the different sections of our country, we see the great gain morally. We find that the time of our courts are not all taken up by the criminal docket caused to be full by the traffic of intoxicating drinks; our jails are not as full as formerly by having men's reason dethroned; our homes are blessed, sunshine and happiness are beaming on many brows; many families made glad from the fact the christian womanhood of our country have gone down on their knees before God, in behalf of home and family. Happy home, because we have banished the fearful scourge from our land, and father and sons return as they left—happy and contented.

The mental capacity has been enlarged because the minds of the manhood of our country is not impaired by the so-called social drink; giving a greater latitude of thought and a noble purpose of life to reflect upon the things that pertain to the happiness of this life and the enjoyment of a perfect life in the great beyond, The noble purpose of doing all in our power to make other homes and individuals happy, by word or deed, should be a laudable one; in fact this should be one great aim of our lives to make others happy.

As we look out over the state our hearts are made to re
as we record the fact that more than half of the counti
our state have, by action stern and strong, blessed the r
generation as well as the present, and may it be the pr
and work of all christian hearts, with a united effort to cont
to work until every vestige of the traffic has been driven
our land.

Religiously with glad hearts we hear the report on the s
of religion; christians made strong; the cause of the Ma
built up; sinners converted; the blessing of God resting
and many hearts made glad. We should not expect the bl
ing of God to rest on us while sin is at the door.

Is it not a fact the Babylonish garment has been remov
Was it not a stench to our nostrils? an abomination in
sight of God?

Let us cast lots and as the lot falls on other parts of
state do not ignore them, but cast in all of our christian m
hood in word and work, praying for the blessing of God u
the last vestige of the destroying traffic is removed from
land.

H. A. RAMPLEY, Chm'n.

Reports called for on Schools, Colleges and Ministerial Ed
cation. The following report was read by elder W.
McComb and discussed by elders W. A. McComb, L
Burress and Dr. J. B. Gambrell Pledges made for minister
education amounting to $176 00, to be paid by Christmas
elder W. A. McComb, Corinth, Miss., when, on motion, t
report was adopted

SCHOOLS, COLLEGES AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your committee begs leave to make the following report-
In Mississippi the Baptist denomination is in advance of a
other denomination in numbers and in good works. One
the prime causes of this gratifying state of affairs, is the ma
efficient denominational schools and colleges throughout t
state We have a dozen or more institutions in the state, an
all doing well. Foremost among these is Mississippi College
which is the property, and in a great measure the power,
the Baptist of Mississippi. This noble institution has jus
received $60,000 endowment. We hope that this is only th
beginning of greater things for her in the future.

To the many other noble institutions in the state unde
Baptist influence, we feel we cannot do justice in the brie
space of this report. To particularize might give offence o
do injustice. We are proud of these schools, and most hearti
ly commend them to the patronage of our people.

Ministerial Education.

As to the importance of ministerial education, we feel the necessity of calling the attention of our people. The importance of seeking out, and educating, the young men whom God has called to the ministry is a work the importance of which can scarcely be magnified too much. In order to do this it is necessary for our people to be educated to liberal and systematic support of the board of ministerial education. We would further urge the necessity of our people praying the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers into the field.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. McCOMB, Chm'n.

Nominations.--Your committee on nominations beg leave to report—That we suggest the following named brethren to constitute an executive committee for the ensuing associational year, to-wit: J. W. Burress, J. V. Alexander, T. W. Jones, T. F. Holt, L. R. Burress, W. A. Strickland and C. A. Duggar.

We nominate brother J. C. Swaim to preach the associational sermon at the commencing of the next association; with brother W. A. McComb, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. BURGE, Chm'n.

Adopted.

Devotional committee made the following announcements: That 9 o'clock to-morrow be designated as the time to hear reports on Sabbath School and Sabbath Observance.

Preaching at 10 o'clock by Dr. J B. Gambrell, and at 2:30 o'clock by elder W. A. McComb.

Adjourned till to-morrow, 9 o'clock a.m.

Sunday.——Association, pursuant to adjournment, met at 9 o'clock. After devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator, proceeded to business. Brother J. D. Burge read report on Sabbath schools and observance of the Sabbath.

Your committee on sabbath schools and sabbath observance beg to report—That we consider this subject of vital importance, and should receive the careful consideration of every member of the association. While great advancement has been made in this line of work, which has resulted in good to our denomination, yet we feel that not enough importance is attached to this great branch of the church's work.

By an examination of the reports from the different portions of the association, it will be seen that wherever there is a live, wide awake sabbath school, there is also a progressive, spiritual, and working church. It will also be seen that not as many are led from the sabbath school into the church as there

should be; which we deem to be the result of a lack of spirituality in the work of the sabbath school, and a dearth of personal endeavor on the part of the officers and teachers. And we would suggest that each pastor, if he desires to build up his church with a membership truly born of God and filled with zealousness in the master's work, let him give special effort to the establishment of sabbath school work in connection with the church, and urge the parents to take their children, rather than send them.

The establishment of these sunday schools, in our opinion, will solve the question of the proper observance of the Sabbath.

JNO. D. BURGE, Chm'n.

After being discussed by brothers Burge, Duggar, Bills, and elder Burress, was on motion, adopted.

On motion, elder J. H. Taylor was elected to represent this ssociation in the next Southern Baptist Convention, and elder H. A. Rampley, alternate.

The association adjourned for preaching by Dr. J. B. Gambrell, who delivered a most excellent sermon, to a large and well ordered congregation.

Cash collection for associational missions amounting to $41.36 taken after sermon.

SUNDAY EVENING SESSION.—Body met at 1:30 p.m.; opened with prayer by elder J. R. Barrett.

Chair called for reports: Elder L. R. Burress read the following report on

OBITUARIES.—"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."—David.

"For me to live is Christ, to die is gain."—Paul.

"We weep for those who fell asleep in Christ, but not as those who have no hope; for the Lord shall bring them with him when he shall come in his glory."—Paul.

The following are the names of those who have been called into death, the vestibule of the Father's house.

W. S. Ford, W. P. Simmons, ... Booneville church.
Sister E. C. Strickland..... Glendale "
J. P. Dixon..... Tuscumbia "
Anna Kilpatrick..... Oak Hill "
J. W. McGee and Sister Phillips..... Mt. Olive "
Sister Margaret C. Underwood..... Kossuth "
G. W. Chesser..... Hinkle Creek "
Sister Elizabeth Potts..... Corinth "
Henry Williams, Sisters Mary A. Harris and —— McKee..... Burnsville "

James Junkin, ... Baldwyn church
Joel Reese, ... Rienzi "
Sister Cornelia Norman, ... Antioch No. 2 "
Sisters N. J. Lambert, M. Counts and M. Fight, ... New Salem "
Sisters Jane Watts and Mary Pressley .... Union

"All these died, having obtained a good report through faith, yet obtained not the promise, God having some better thing for us, that they without us could not be made perfect."—Paul.

The report was spoken to by elder L. R. Burress, and on motion, was adopted, and a page of our Minutes devoted to this report.

Elder W. A. McComb offered the following resolutions which on motion, were adopted.

1. Resolved, That we, the members of this association, do extend our thanks to the Church and community of Osborne Creek, for the kind reception and royal entertainment which they have so heartily extended unto us.

2. Resolved, That we pledge our continual sympathies and prayers for this beloved church and Pastor

3. Resolved, That fifteen dollars be paid the clerk, for his services. That the remainder of the money sent in for minutes, be spent for publishing and distributing same.

Report on Publications read and adopted.

Your committee on Publications beg leave to report: That, as this is an age of reading, we ought to be wide awake to the fact that the printing press is a great and growing power in the land. Who can estimate the amount of reading matter that goes to the millions of homes throughout our country! Much of it is bad literature, corrupting the morals of the people and hindering the progress of the gospel

On the other hand, the printing press is an immense power for good, and is doing much toward spreading abroad the truth. We refer with pleasure to the Sabbath School publications, both of the American Baptist Publication society, and of the Southern Baptist Convention. These helps are of great advantage in sabbath school work. We mention, also, the Foreign Mission Journal, which ought to be in every Baptist home. But we call attention especially to the Southern Baptist Record, which is doing a grand work toward unifying the Baptist of this state in their work. Then we have the Home Field and the Convention Board Quarterly, which gives a great deal of information regarding the workings of our denomination. We would urge upon Pastors to see that the members

of their respective churches be supplied with a sufficie quantity of good reading matter. We think there are plac in our association where the Baptist need information wi regard to the doctrine of our denomination.

Now, as last but not least, we would recommend the Bibl as the greatest informer. It is the book of books, and let u not forget to study it daily.

Respectfully submitted

F. P. SMITH, Chm'n.

Discussed by Moderator Bills, elder L. R. Burress, brothe J. W. Burress, Dr. J. B. Gambrell, elders J. H. Taylor and W A. McComb, and on motion, report was adopted.

Dr. Gambrell asked time to talk on a Pastor's school, which was granted.

Brother J. W. Burress made a short talk on the same subject; when the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

1. Resolved, That this Association favors the proposition to organize a Pastor's and Worker's school in Mississippi, and recommend our preachers, and as many others as can do so to attend.

2. Resolved, That the churches are recommended to release their pastors and help them to attend the school.

Here the chair announced the business of the Association as finished, and, by request, Dr. J. B. Gambrell made a few closing remarks. A song was sung and the parting hand extended to each other.

On motion, adjourned to meet at Burnesville, Miss., on Memphis and Charleston railroad, on Friday, before the 1st Lord's day in October, 1892 at 8:30 a.m.

JOHN D. BILLS, Moderator.

W. A. RICHARDSON, Clerk.

DELEGATES PRESENT.

Antioch No. 1—N. O. Dickson, Roasey Carason, Antioch No. 2—W. M. Bynum, A. B. Norman, J. T. Harris. Baldwyn—J. W. Burress, T. J McDonald, Thomas Underwood. Burnsville—P. M. Harris. Brush Creek—W. L. Burrow. Booneville—J. V. Alexander, W. S. Povall. Corinth—J. D. Bills, W. A. McComb, John D. Burge. County Line—N. Outlaw H. A. Pampley. Cane Creek—Not represented. Chewalla—W. T. Gurley. Concord—Not represented. Cayce Creek—Not represented. Coln's Chapel—Not represented. Fellowship—Lawrence Waters, J. E. McCurly, R. B. Outlaw. Farmington—J. T. Warren, F. P. Smith. Glendale—W. A. Strickland, J. F. White, W. L.

Norman. Gaston—W H. Hudspeth, J. S. Elliott. Hinkle Creek—J A. Gray, J. E. Miller, W. E. Hunter. Iuka—James Hubbard, C. A. Duggar. Jacinto—J. C. Hughes, J. O. Looney. Kossuth—J. H. Taylor. W. A. Richardson. Lone Oak—J. C. Henderson, B. H. Rogers. Meadow Creek. Frank Barrett. G. N. Williams, Frank Pritchard. Mount Pleasant ... J. M. Burcham Mount Olive ... L. R. Burress, W. M. Burge, J. F. Morris. .. Mount Providence ... T. F. Tennison. Mount Gilead ... J. F. Grimes, E. D. Glenn, W. T. Seago. Mount Sinai ... No delegates. New Salem ... Letter but no delegates. New Providence ... No delegates. Osborne Creek ... A. J. Dalton, A. E. Tucker, T W. Jones. Oak Hill ... T. B. Roberts, W. A. Reynolds, L. J. Rutherford. Piney Grove ... A. M. Belcher, T. S. Yarbrough, W. A. Huff. Rocky Mount ... No delegate. Rienzi ... J R. Barrett, R. E. Holt. Shiloh ... O. N J. Stephenson, D. T. Killough. Sardis ... T. W. Woodley, O. L. Howard. Tuscumbia ... J. D. Newel, W. G. Dixon. Union ... J. R. Bumpass, W. W. Anderson, G. P. Wills Union Grove No. 1 ... Letter but no delegates. Union Grove No. 2 -- No delegates.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

L. R. Burress, Baldwyn,	Miss.	W. A. McComb, Corith,	Miss.
J. S. Berry, Booneville,	"	E. Z. Simmons, Canton,	China.
J. H. Byrd, Hightown,	"	J. R. Barrett, Rienzi,	Miss.
W. C. Butler, Cuba,	"	J. G. Archer, Booneville,	"
J. H. Taylor, Kossuth,	"	W. L. Norman Eagle,	"
H. C. Gilbert, Corinth,	"	H. A. Rampley, Baldwyn,	"
W. J. Henderson, Hinkle,	"	J. Skinner Burnsville,	"
H. C. Spencer, Burrow,	"	J. T. Harris, Rienzi,	"
J. F. Russell, Silver Springs,	"	T. Moreland, Chewalla,	Tenn.
S. D. Chapman, Geeville,	"	W. G. Thompson,	"
W. O. Huff, Kossuth,	"	G. H. Savage, Rienzi,	"
L. A. Little, Clinton,	"	W. A. Huff, "	"
J. C. Hughes, Jacinto,	"	W. D. Robinson, Jacinto,	"
A. C. Vandiver, Geeville,	"	W. A. Reynolds, Geeville,	"
T. B. Roberts, "	"	J. L. Gray, Burnsville,	"
G. N Williams, Booneville,	"	W. C. Patterson, Burton's,	"

LICENTIATES.

J. L. Lowe, Clinton,	Miss.	T. E. Spain, Booneville,	Miss.
C. A. Duggar, Iuka,	"	J. W. Loveless, Burnsville,	"
W. D. Conn Clinton,	"	B. F. Mylham, Eagle,	"
S. F. Mock, Burnt Mills,	"	W. P. Holt, Iuka,	"
J. W. Petty, Booneville,	"	Geo Davis, Silver Springs	"
		B. Robinson, " "	"

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Minutes—Antioch No. 1, 90 c; Union, 45 c; B
Creek, 25 c; Mount Olive, $3 50; County Line, 75 c;
lowship, 85 c; Oak Hill, $1 50; Rienzi, $1 00; Corinth, $2
Tuscumbia, 70 c; Booneville, $2 10; Lone Oak, 65 c; C
dale, $1 00; Farmington, $1 30; Shiloh, $1 50; Jacinto, 5
Gaston, 55 c; Mount Pleasant, 25 c; Piney Grove, $1
Osborne Creek, $1 70; Meadow Creek, 85 c; Sardis, 8
Iuka, $2 50; Chewalla, $2 00; Baldwyn, $2 10; Mount Pr
dence, 40 c; Union Grove No. 1, 35 c; Mount Gilead, 7
Antioch No. 2, 50 c; Kossuth, $1 30; Hinkle Creek, $1
Burnsville, $1 00; New Salem, 80 c.

Total $37

State and Associational Missions.

Kossuth, $25; Corinth, $41; Baldwyn, $37 15; Br
Creek, $1; Booneville, $27 50; County Line, $11; C
Creek $3 50, Concord 85, Fellowship 7 50, Hinkle Creek 9
Gaston 3 43, Iuka 10 05, Jacinto 4 00, Mt. Olive 12 00, Osbo
Creek 8 00, Oak Hill 4 50, Piney Grove 4 00, Rienzi 5 40, S
loh 6 00, Sardis 4 8', Mt. Carmel school house 2 00, Glend
Sunday School 80, Woman's Missionary society 3 10.

Cash collected on Sabbath at Association, $41 36.

Total $233

Foreign Missions.

Antioch No. 1 $2 80, Antioch No. 2 $2 25, Baldwyn $25 8
Booneville $10 00, County Line 1 80, Fellowship 2 50, Hink
Creek 8 10, Iuka 2 10, Kossuth $15 00, Mt. Olive $27 00, W
man's Missionary Society $10 00.

Total $107 3

Ministerial Education.

Pledges made at Association, to be paid by Christmas, fo
Ministerial Education, to elder W. A. McComb, Corinth, Miss

Baldwyn,	$25 00	Booneville,	$25 00	Rienzi,	$2 50
Farmington,	1 05	Antioch No. 2	5 00	Tuscumbia,	2 50
Osborne Creek,	5 00	Brush Creek,	1 00	Corinth Willing Workers,	2 50
Booneville,	2 50	Farmington,	5 00		
Mount Olive,	25 00	Iuka,	10 00	Y. M. P. M. Hinkle Creek,	4 00
County Line,	5 00	Jacinto,	2 50		
Corinth,	35 00	Kossuth, L. A. S.	5 00	Mount Gilead,	2 00
Hinkle Creek,	5 00	Oak Hill,	5 00	L. A. S., Baldwyn,	5 00

10.00
25
5

Total cash.... $28 55.... Total Pledges.... $177 00

Grand Total..... $205 55

6.00

Pastor's Salary.

Antioch No 2	$25	00	Osborne Cr'k.	150	00	Iuka,	300 00
Farmington,	14	45	Kossuth,	200	00	Hinkle Creek,	110 00
Booneville,	250	00	Mt. Olive,	190	00	Fellowship,	129 50
County Line,	50	00	Corinth,	900	00		

Church Expenses.

Farmington,	$49	35	Mt Olive,	22	50	Corinth,	$2.569 93
Booneville,	165	00	Rienzi,	25	00	Fellowship,	15 00
Kossuth,	40	00	Sardis,	4	25	Hinkle Creek,	10 00
Lone Oak,	200	00	Osborne Cr'k.	100	00		

Total..... $3,201 03

Grand Total..... $6,093 63

RULES OF ORDER.

Article 1. The Association shall be opened with prayer.

2 The Moderator shall be considered the judge of order, but any member not satisfied with his decision, may appeal, provided the appeal be made on the same day, but at no subsequent time.

3 The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as members, but not to vote, unless his vote be necessary to decide a question. If he rises to speak, he shall call some other brother to the chair.

4 All questions brought before the Association shall be introduced by motion, and if seconded, shall be opened for discussion, unless withdrawn by the mover or his second. When a subject has been taken up, and a reasonable time allowed for discussion, the Moderator shall take the vote by yeas and nays, and if a call for a division be made, it shall be decided by members rising.

5 Any member wishing to speak, shall rise and address the moderator. Only one member shall be allowed to speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject, or make personal reflections.

6 No person shall speak more than once on the same subject until all who wish to speak shall have had an opportunity, not more than twice upon any subject without permission.

7 Every question introduced for discussion, shall be decided before another is offered, unless it be laid over, on motion, with the consent of the mover of the resolution.

8 The Association shall, in all cases, be governed by a majority of the members present, except in the reception of

churches, then a unanimous vote shall be required. But in n case shall one member or church prevent the reception of church without sufficient cause shown, which shall be deter mined by a majority.

9 The names of the members shall be called whenever the Association shall direct, and the absentees marked. Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission of the Moderator.

10 The appellation of Brother, shall be used by members in addressing each other.

11 Any member violating these rules shall be subject to be reproved by the Moderator, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

11 Amendments or alterations may be made to these rules when a majority may deem it necessary.

ABSTRACT OF FAITH.

Article 1 We believe in the only living and true God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2 We believe the Bible to be the Word of God, and it is our only rule of faith and practice.

3 We believe in the total depravity of human nature, and that man is dead in trespass and sin.

4 We believe that salvation is the gift of God by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and that sinners are justified, in the sight of God, alone by the imputed rtghteousness of Jesus Christ, which is unto all and with all them that believe.

5 We believe in the doctrine of Election; that God has, from the beginning, chosen us to salvation through sanctification of the spirit and belief of the truth.

6 We believe that the Holy Spirit accompanies the Word of God in the salvation of man, in answer to the prayer of christians.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of saints, and that all who truly believe, shall be eternally saved.

8 We believe that baptism is immersion alone, and that none but true believers are proper subjects of the ordinance, and that none but regularly baptized and ordained ministers have a right to administer it, and that it is a pre-requisite to the Lord's Supper, and all who come to the Lord's table must come according to the Lord's word.

9 We believe that a gospel church is a body of true believers in Christ, who have been regularly baptized, upon a profession of their faith in Him, and that there are but two

officers in a church, viz: the Elder or Pastor and Deacon.

10 We believe it to be the duty of each church to extend and circulate the word of God, as far as their means will enable them.

11 We believe in the resurrection of all men and in a future and general judgment, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

COVENANT.

[Adopted in 1860 at the formation of the Association, and afterwards ratified by the churches.]

Article 1 We, as independent churches of Jesus Christ, do mutually covenant to unite our efforts and influence for the advancement of the cause of Christ, under the title of the TISHOMINGO BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

2 We agree to hold annual meetings, to be composed of delegates chosen by the respective churches, bearing letters, to be read at the opening of the meeting, showing their appointment, and also, showing the number received by baptism, by letter, by restoration; dismissed by letter, excluded or dead, together with the whole number in fellowship. Also, average number of Sunday school pupils, and number of conversions, amounts contributed to associational missions, State missions, Foreign missions, ministerial education, support of pastors, church expenses, church improvements and total expended.

3 We agree that every church belonging to this body, shall be entitled to three delegates, until they number 100 members, then one for every hundred above that number.

4 When any church shall fail to communicate with this body for three successive meetings, it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us, and will be dropped from the minutes, unless two or more members shall request its continuance, and will also engage to enquire into its standing and report at the next annual meeting.

5 Other churches may be admitted into this union by signifying their wish by letter and delegates, provided they be deemed scriptural.

6 We will elect a Moderator and Clerk, by ballot, at each annual meeting, as soon as the letters from the churches are read and the member's names enrolled; letters from petitionary churches being received, that their delegates may also have the privilege of voting.

7 We disclaim the right to adopt rules that can, at any time, infringe upon the independence and rights of the

churches. We may, however, advise churches when they quest it, and will withdraw from such as become heretical doctrine and disorderly in discipline.

8 We will have an Executive Board, composed of sev members, elected annually, and the Moderator and Cle whose duty it shall be to take charge of all the funds sent by the churches, and dispose of the same as the churches m direct.

9 We will correspond with sister Associations. Any me ber of this body, whose name appears on our minutes, authorized to represent us in other religious bodies.

10 We will have our minutes read, corrected, and sign by the Moderator and Clerk, before the session rises, and w not adjourn, except in extraordinary cases, until all the bu ness is finished.

11 We will, while convenient appoint the time and pla for holding the next annual meeting of this body, and elect brother to preach Associational sermon. The Association m make such alterations and amendments to the Covenant two-thirds of the members may deem necessary.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY:—Travelled 1,900 miles; sold bibles and testaments; sold 17 gospel hymn books; distrib ted 872 pages of tracts, and 100 copies religious papers, suc as Southern Baptist Record, A. M. Baptist, Young People Work, our Home Field. Foreign Mission Journal; visited 27 families, conducted 34 prayer meetings, visited 15 sabbat schools, organized 1 sabbath school, assisted in 48 church se vices, assisted in 1 ordination, delivered 5 addresses, adminis tered the Lord's Supper 3 times collected $10 for Associatio missions, baptized 7, preached 153 times at 45 different place witnessed 154 conversions of which the greater portion joine the Baptist church.

J. R. BARRETT,
Missionary Tishomingo Association.

TREASURER'S REPORT—To Executive Board for the year end ing October 8th, 1891.

Oct., 1890	To cash received for Minutes	$ 39 9
" "	of elder W. L. Skinner,	33 0
" "	contributed to Foreign Missions	107 3
" "	" " Home "	2 0
" "	" " State "	41 0
" "	" " Association	233 0
" "	" Ministerial Education	28 5
	Total amount received	$484 9

Oct. 1890	By am't paid Clerk for services	$10	00
" " " " "	Blank letters and stationery	2	00
Dec. " " " "	G. D. Winston	26	00
" " " " "	Postage	1	85
	" H. A. Tupper	62	45
	J. T. Christian	85	50
	Mississippi College	28	55
	J. R. Barrett	230	06
	W. D. Robinson	30	00
	P. O and Postage		78
		$477	29

By balance on hand.....$7 63

UNION MEETINGS, 1892.

The Union Meeting of the Second District meets with Sardis Baptist Church, Thursday before the 1st Lord's day in August, 1892.

PROGRAM.

1 What do Baptist baptize for? J. R. Barrett.

2 Should all men preach that can preach? W. M. Henderson.

3 Should we regard a church, a church of Christ, that has not the spirit of missions, and does not give any of her means for the spread of the gospel? J. C. Swaim and H. C. Gilbert.

4 Importance of Family Prayer. A. M. Belcher and H. C. Parker.

5 What is the true spirit of the Sabbath School? J. O. Looney and H. R. Clinkscales.

6 The work of the Holy Spirit. J. C. Hughes.

7 Duty of Deacons. W. A. Huff and J. C. Hughes.

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICE	PASTORS	Baptized	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded	Died	Total
Antioch No 1	J. C. Dickson	Silver Springs	A C Vandiver	5	2		6	1	1	71
" " 2	J. T. Harris	Rienzi	W M Henderson	1				1	1	28
Baldwyn	A. B. Griffin	Baldwyn		1	4		5			47
Burnsville	M. C. Elledge	Burnsville	R J Jennings	17	6	1	2		3	72
Brush Creek	W. L. Burrow	Burrow	W C Butler							30
Booneville	J. W. Smith	Booneville	J H Taylor		4		3		2	74
Corinth	R. H. Smith	Corinth	W A McComb	33	35	1	9		1	174
County Line	H. F. Outlaw	Bridwyn	H A Rampley	4	2		2	1		28
Cane Creek	No report	Wenesoga								116
Chewalla	T. J. Hurley	Chewalla, Tenn	W G Thompson	16	5		5			79
Concord	No report	Dry Run								31
Cayce Creek	" "	Baldwyn								27
Coln's Chapel	" "	Corinth								45
Fellowship	J. E. McCarley	Bethany	L R Burress	5	1	1	7			52
Farmington	F. P. Smith	Corinth	J L Lowe	18	11		3			98
Glendale	J. F. White	Burnsville	W L Norman	6			8	1	1	52
Gaston	W. H Jennings	Booneville	G H Savage	1						58
Hinkle Creek	T. F. Holt	Rienzi	J H Taylor	13	4		11		1	98
Iuka	A H Ellett	Iuka	J Shackelford	6	4		1			111
Jacinto	J O Looney	Jacinto	W D Robinson							13
Kossuth	W A Richardson	Kossuth	J. H Taylor	10	3		7	2	1	95
Lone Oak	J C Henderson	Theo	W O Huff	12	6					50
Meadow Creek	J R Boley	Booneville	G N Williams		3	1	1			47
Mount Pleasant	S A Burcham		F C Hughes							19
" Olive	W M Burge	Geeville	L R Burress	8	4	1	17	2	2	178
" Providence	T F Tennison	Burton		2			1			36
" Gilead	G W Bishop	Iuka	J Skinner		6		3			93
" Sinai	No report	Hatchie								14
New Salem	W H Skinner	Burnsville	J Skinner	1	1		4		3	72
" Providence	No report	Iuka								66
Osborne Creek	T W Jones	Booneville	J H Taylor	6	2	1				88
Oak Hill	J L Morris	Geeville	W M Henderson	1			2	2	1	67
Piney Grove	J W Melton	Rienzi	G H Savage	13	4			1		64
Rocky Mount	No report	Geeville								28
Rienzi	C B Curlee	Rienzi	G H Savage							10
Shiloh	E T Jones	Gilt	W G Thompson	3	1		3		1	122
Sardis	D R Barnett	Burnsville	F C Hughes	18	5					83
Tuscumbia	J R Carter	Chewalla, Tenn	W C Butler	7	2	1	7	1	1	61
Union	J R Bumpass	Hightown	G H Savage	1			12	1	2	60
Un. Grove No. 1	S F Mock	Burnt Mills	S F Mock	6			4			39
Un. Grove No. 2	No report	Marietta								18

Sabbath School Statistics and Contributions.

Schools.	Superintendents.	Postoffice.	No. Scholars	Av. Att.	Total Cont.
Corinth	E S Candler, Jr.	Corinth	150	90	125 00
Hinkle Cr'k	J W Doggett	Hinkle		20	10 00
Booneville	J V Alexander	Booneville	85	35	35 00
"	Farmer Fairles	"	20		
"	E Everett	"			
Kossuth	W C Harward	Kossuth	55	35	14 24
Iuka		Iuka	80	60	28 46
Sardis		Burnsville		25	
Baldwyn		Baldwyn	30	15	28 80
Mt. Olivet	M Franklin	Geeville	115	65	50 10

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MINUTES.

TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, September 30th, 1892.

THE Thirty-second Annual Session of the TISHOMINGO BAPTIST ASSOCIATION met with Burnsville Baptist Church, Friday before the 1st Lord's day in October, 1892, at 8:30 o'clock a. m., opened with devotional exercises conducted by Elder J. R. Barrett by service of song and reading selection of scriptures, followed with prayer by Elder L. R. Burress and Brother E. L. Candler, Jr.

Brother J. D. Bills, Moderator, called the body to order and declared the Association ready for business. Elder W. A. McComb and Bros. W. T. Richardson and E. S. Candler, Jr., were appointed reading clerks. Letters were read from Antioch No. 1, Antioch No. 2, Baldwyn, Booneville, Burnsville, Cane Creek, Cayce's Creek, Chewalla, Concord, Corinth, County Line, Farmington, Fellowship, Gaston, Glendale, Hinkle Creek, Iuka, Jacinto, Kossuth, Lone Oak, Meadow Creek, Mt. Gillead, Mt. Olive, Mt. Pleasant, New Salem, Oak Hill, Osborne Creek, Piney Grove, Rienzi, Sardis, Shiloh, Union, Union Grove No. 1.

The Association proceeded to permanent organization. The chair appointed Elds. W. G. Thompson, Tippah Association, Bro. W. J. Clark, of Harmony Association, with Eld. R. J. Jennings as tellers. The ballot being taken and counted, Bro. J. D. Bills, of Corinth, was declared elected Moderator, and J. W. Smith, of Booneville, Clerk.

On taking the chair, Bro. Bills made an appropriate address. And the Association proceeded to business.

The Chair announced the following Committees:

Devotional Exercises.—Bros. J. W. Burress, E. S. Candler, Jr., J. E. Miller, W. T. Richardson and M. O. Ellidge.

State of Religion.—Elds. J. H. Taylor, J. R. Barrett and Bro. R. S. Holt.

Elder W. A. McComb moved the following order of business which was read and adopted:

1st.—Call for correspondence and invite visiting Brethren to seats.

2d.—Appoint Committees.

3d.—Appoint Messengers to other religious bodies.

4th.—Call for Reports.

5th.—Elect Executive Board.

6th.—Appoint time and place of next meeting of this body, and elect Elder to preach Associational Sermon.

7th.—Resolutions and miscellaneous business.

On call for correspondence, Eld. W. T. Lowrey, D. D., was received as representative of State Baptist Convention and State Mission Board; Eld. W. G. Thompson as Messenger from Tippah Association; Eld. W. W. Whitaker and Bro. W. I. Clark as Messengers of Harmony Association.

The Devotional Committee announced that Associational Sermon would be preached at 7 o'clock p. m., by Eld. W. A. McComb, alternate.

The Chair announced the following Committees:

Publications—Eld. L. R. Burress, Bros. E. S. Candler, Jr., and J. F. White.

Finance—Bro. W. A. Richardson, Eld. R. J. Jennings and Sister W. M. Ellis.

Sabbath Schools and Sabbath Observance—Bros. J. A. Gray, H. Hines and Eld. J. Skinner.

Systematic Giving—Elds. L. R. Burress, W. D. Robinson; Bros. A. G. Toler, W. H. Scally, and Dr. W. M. Ellis.

Schools, Colleges and Ministerial Education—Elds. W. A. McComb, J. H. Taylor, J. C. Hughes and Bro. E. S. Candler, Jr.

Home and Foreign Missions—Bro. E. S. Candler, Jr., Elds. J. R. Barrett and J. Skinner.

State and Associational Missions—Elds. J. R. Barrett, J. S. Berry; Bros. W. A. Richardson, G. P. Williams, J. W. Burress.

Temperance—Elds. W. D. Robinson, W. A. McComb and Bros. T. H. Underwood, W. I. Gibson, B. W. Holmes, John Fulghum and W. L. Norman.

Obituaries—Elds. J. H. Taylor, L. R. Burress and J. Skinner.

Census—Bros. J. W. Burress, W. A. Richardson, W. H. Scalley and Elds. J. S. Berry and J. C. Hughes.

Nominations—Bro. W. I. Gibson, Eld. W. D. Robinson and Bro. T. H. Underwood.

Centennial of Missions—Elds. W. A. McComb, J. H. Taylor, L. R. Burress, J. R. Barrett, J. S. Berry, Bros. G. E. Wooten, Prof. W. I. Gibson, Bros. E. S. Candler, Jr.. and W. T. Richardson.

Elder J. H. Taylor, Chairman of the Committee on the State of Religion, read the following report and after being discussed by Elds. J. H. Taylor, J. Skinner, W. A. McComb, R. J. Jennings, J. R. Barrett and L. R. Burress, was adopted:

We your Committee on State of Religion, beg leave to report: That it has been a year of gracious blessings from God. The revival spirit among us last year has continued with us. This has

been evident by prayer meetings and Sunday Schools kept up with increased interests in the different parts of the field ; more regular attendance on services of the church, and helpfulness to Pastors. Last but not least, more prayer and contributions for our Missionaries at home and abroad. There are a goodly number of baptisms reported as the seal of God's blessing on our work. These things should gladden our hearts. Let us thank God, take courage and go forward. J. H. TAYLOR, Chairman.

On motion, Association adjourned to 2 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

Association met at 2 o'clock p. m. and opened by singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," reading scripture, (Romans 12) and prayer by Elder W. G. Thompson.

Minutes of morning session read and after correction approved.

On motion of Elder J. H. Taylor: That reports of Home and Foreign, State and Associational, and Centennial Missions be made the special order for 10 o'clock a. m. to-morrow morning. Adopted.

The following Messengers were appointed to the Mississippi Baptist State Convention, to be held at Vicksburg, Mississippi: Elders J. R. Barrett, W. A. McComb, L. R. Burress, J. H. Taylor, W. D. Robinson, J. C. Hughes, J. Skinner and Bros. W. T. Richardson, E. S. Candler, Jr., W. W. Jones, T. W. Jones, J. L. Lowe, J. T. Warren, T. H. Underwood, J. D. Bills, J. W. Burress, J. W. Smith, J. L. Huggins, J. F. White, J. H. McGee, Joel C. Garrison, J. F. Russell, George Walton, W. E. Thomas and Elder R. J. Jennings.

Elder W. A. McComb moved the following amendment to the covenant which were adopted: Art. 2; after the words "Foreign missions" add Home missions, and valuation of church property at end of Art. 2. Art. 3; last clause reads for every hundred above that number to read fifty.

On motion Eld. J. H. Taylor: The Executive Board were empowered and authorized to prepare a Form of Letter to Association for churches in conformity with Art. 2 of Covenant and the same to be sent to the Clerks of Churches in this Association. Adopted.

Elder L. R. Burress, Chairman of Committee on Publications, read the following, which after an interesting discussion by Elders W. G. Thompson, L. R. Burress and W. A. McComb, was adopted.

PUBLICATIONS.

Your Committee on Publications recommend that your membership encourage only wholesome Literature, printed matter in permanent form. Good Literature is a source of constant good, therefore if you do a continuous good, encourage good and proper publications. The Bible is the standard and whatsoever is helpful to the better understanding of its teaching is heartily recommended. To this end you have the Southern Baptist Record, published at Meridian, Miss.; The Sunday School Series, published at Nashville, Tenn.; The Homefield, at Atlanta, Ga., and the Foreign Mission Journal at Richmond, Va. Your Committee urge that each church secure a Library of Good Books. L. R. BURRESS, Chairman.

On motion session adjourned to meet at 8:30 a. m. to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 1st, 1892, 8:30 o'clock a. m.

After service of song, reading 23d Ps., by Eld. George Wooten, of Corinth church and prayers by Elds. L. R. Burress and J. H. Taylor, the Association proceeded to business.

On motion, reading of minutes dispensed with. Bro. Harden was accorded a seat as messenger from Conn's Chapel.

On motion, the Association proceeded to election of President of Women's Mission Society for this Association, Sister Ella Boone having resigned. Sister W. A. McComb was elected.

On motion, Eld. L. R. Burress was elected to preach Association Sermon at our next Association. Elder J. H. Taylor, alternate. Time, Friday before the first Lord's day in October. Place, Piney Grove, Miss., 8:30 o'clock a. m. Prayer meeting Thursday night.

Elder J. R. Barrett was elected Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention at Nashville, Tenn. Eld. Geo. E. Wooten, alternate.

Elder L. R. Burress, Chairman, read report on Systematic Giving, which was discussed by Elds. L. R. Burress, W. G. Thompson, J. R. Barrett, R. J. Jennings and others, and adopted, as follows:

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

We, as independent Churches of Christ, do mutually consent to unite our efforts and influence for the advancement of the cause of Christ under the title of the Tishomingo Baptist Association. (So reads the 1st article of our Associational Covenant.) To attain this end systematic giving should be fostered and practiced. Our 2d article in Abstract of Faith recognizes the Bible as our only rule of faith and practice. That teaches regularity with the authority of a Commandment as now concerning the collections for

What can we do worthy of them and of the noble Cause in which they gladly spent their lives? I am sure the good people of Tishomingo Association have already caught something of the spirit of the Centennial movement which is stirring the hearts and arousing the zeal of Baptists all over the Christian world. Brethren, we are now at work filling out the last of the Eighteenth Centennial volume of Baptist history. We are actually MAKING HISTORY. Is it too much to say that we should begin AT ONCE and in DEAD EARNEST resolved to do something during the coming year worthy of our Baptist fathers; worthy of those doctrines that we have maintained by the blood of Martyrs, and worthy of our Divine Master? If we are to close up this Centennial well, we must begin at once and run well through the whole year.

May God bless you all abundantly. Pray for me.

Fraternally,

J. G. CHASTAIN.

BRO. E. Z. SIMMON'S LETTER.

CANTON, CHINA, August 16th, 1892.

MY DEAR BRO. TAYLOR:

Your kind letter was duly received. Thank you. We are always eager to get our home letters, and yet we are almost afraid to open them, for we so often hear of the death of some relative or friend. Our loved ones are gathering fast on the other side of the River. The leaving us is sad, but for them it is all joy and gladness, and it is a blessed hope that this joy will be ours after our work is done. But the thought that often oppresses me is the fact that there are so many that are strangers to this hope, and that, too, for want of knowledge, and we should realize the fact that people are not going to want this till they know something of the value of it. A desire for the gospel is always created by giving the gospel; hence the necessity for preaching the gospel often and long to the heathen before they believe in great numbers. And hence the need of many more missionaries; for the harvest is great and the laborers few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into His harvest.

I have just returned from the Chapel where I preached to a large audience. But O! how different it is preaching here and at home. There you always have some interested, sympathizing and loving hearers to help you. But here it is opposition, suspicion and indifference that stares at you. I do not wonder that Paul said: "And who is sufficient for these things." And I feel it all the more keenly, when I know that our preaching is "a saver of death unto so many and of life unto so few. Yet, we must remember our marching orders," "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Oh how I wish that more of the young men and women in our churches would hear and heed the Master's com-

mand. And my dear Brother, why not some of your children? Have you ever offered them to the Lord for this work? Nothing that we have should be considered too precious as a gift for the Lord's service. And a gift to the Lord is always repaid tenfold. I do wish that our church at Kossuth might furnish several missionaries for the foreign field.

What great opportunities and possibilities there are for Christians in this Centennial year of Missions. We are in some measure trying to do our part here. In our mission of trade, we have given as our offering, over and above our usual gifts $800.00. This we are using to send out native evangelists. Early in July nine brethren in four companies were sent out. They go from village to village preaching and selling tracts. They get no pay—only their actual food and traveling expenses. After consultation with them they each took $6.00 to bear their expenses for two months. They have some simple rules for their government:

1st. They are to begin each day by reading the Bible and prayer, praying specially for the Spirit to help them preach, that at least one person may believe.

2d. That wherever they are at night they will try and have the people in the house to be present and join with them in worship.

3d. That if during the day they have said or done anything wrong, that they will make confession to each other and to God and ask forgiveness of each other and of God. And

4th. That they will keep an exact account of their expenses, books sold and places visited.

We have partial reports from three of the parties and these indicate that they are much encouraged, and that they had visited probably largely over a hundred villages. All the reports will not be in until the end of the month. They will study a month and start again October 1st. Join us in praying for these brethren. Of course they cannot go on a long time at this work without pay, but this is the way they make their Centennial offering to missions. We hope that this is the beginning of a continuous effort in this kind of voluntary mission work. When our $800.00 is gone maybe we can give some more, or that we will be supplied with money by some one else. I believe if this is the best way for us to work the money will be given by some one.

We have just had 9 baptisms. One here, two at Chemeg-ning and six at Young-Uni. This makes thirty this year only. Wife and I and two of the young lady Missionaries spent most of July in Macao resting. Some of the others are there now. We have both had some fever this summer. This we expect more or less every year. Bro. Green, our new Missionary, does not seem to be in very good health, but we hope after he has become acclimatized he will be alright.

We are anxiously hoping for some more new Missionaries and a

physician so that some of us can go to some other city and start a new Mission. If we can get our share of the 100 to be sent out this year, we can start two or three new missions. This depends upon what you Brothers and Sisters at home do in the way of giving yourselves and your money. May the Lord help us to do our duty, to our God and to our fellowmen.

Remember us kindly to the friends that have recently been bereaved by the death of their loved ones; they have our sympathies. Also remember us to relatives and friends generally. Wife joins me in Christian love to you and Sister Taylor and to each of the children by name. Pray for us and our work.

I am Yours Fraternally,

E. Z. SIMMONS.

Eld. J. R. Barrett, Chairman, read report on State and Associational Missions, which after an interesting discussion by Elds. J. R. Barrett on Association Missions, and J. H. Taylor, State Missions, was adopted:

STATE AND ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Your Committee beg leave to report: We trust while the great Centennial efforts are being made to arouse us to our duty towards the heathen in foreign fields, while we are made to rejoice at what has been done in the past century, and at the efforts that are now being made, that greater things may yet be done in the next century. We also trust that this great movement may be instrumental in opening our eyes to the important need of home, for our very souls are stirred within us when we think of the sinners that are perishing at our doors almost, for the want of gospel food; yes, relatives, friends and strangers within our gates who have not the gospel preached to them, and strangers are coming in more or less every year. It is our heart's desire to see the ranks swelling by increased numbers enlisting in the great warfare, and we know of no better way to commence this grand work than to open our eyes and behold the field that is white to harvest at our doors and pray the Lord to send us laborers in this field.

J. R. BARRETT, Chairman.

Association then adjourned to meet at arbor when Eld. L. R. Burress preached from Eph. 2 chap. 1–2 to a large auditory, after which a recess was had until 2 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

Association met at 2 o'clock p. m. After service of song and reading selection of scripture, 2d Chron. 1st chap., by Eld. J. S. Berry, and prayer by Eld. W. G. Thompson, proceeded to business.

Eld. J. R. Barrett, Missionary in the bounds of this Association, read following report which was adopted:

MISSIONARY REPORT.

To the Executive Board of the Tishomingo Baptist Association:

I submit the following as report of my work during this associational year: Families visited, 243; prayer meetings held, 43; Sabbath schools organized, 2; baptized, 1; conversions in destitute parts, 44; addresses on religious subjects, 21; preached in different places, 55; miles traveled, 2,688; sermons preached, 137; Sabbath schools visited, 7; assisted in church services, 51; assisted in ordination, 1; tracts given away, 1,140 pages.

Fraternally,

J. R. BARRETT, Missionary.

TISHOMINGO ASSOCIATION—In Account with J. W. Burress, Chairman of Board.

To balance on hand, last report		$ 7.63
" amount contributed Foreign Missions		163.83
" " " Home "		82.95
" " " State "		49.70
" " " Associational		264.61
" " " Ministerial education		89.65
" " " Theological Seminary		10.00
Balance due me		7.37
		$675.74
By amount sent Foreign Missions	$163.83	
" " " Home "	82.95	
" " " State "	139.35	
" " " Seminary	10.00	
" " paid Eld. J. R. Barrett	279.61	
	$675.74	

To Balance due me, $7.37.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. BURRESS, Chairman.

Eld. W. A. McComb submitted report on Schools, Colleges and Ministerial Education and after being ably discussed by the Chairman and Prof. W. I. Gibson and others, adopted.

SCHOOLS, COLLEGES AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your Committee begs leave to make the following report:

In Mississippi the Baptist Churches are in advance of any denomination in number. One of the many causes of this gratifying state of affairs is the many efficient schools and colleges under Baptist influence throughout the State.

We have a dozen or more institutions of learning in the State and all are doing well. Foremost among these is Mississippi Col-

What can we do worthy of them and of the noble Cause in which they gladly spent their lives? I am sure the good people of Tishomingo Association have already caught something of the spirit of the Centennial movement which is stirring the hearts and arousing the zeal of Baptists all over the Christian world. Brethren, we are now at work filling out the last of the Eighteenth Centennial volume of Baptist history. We are actually MAKING HISTORY. Is it too much to say that we should begin AT ONCE and in DEAD EARNEST resolved to do something during the coming year worthy of our Baptist fathers; worthy of those doctrines that we have maintained by the blood of Martyrs, and worthy of our Divine Master? If we are to close up this Centennial well, we must begin at once and run well through the whole year.

May God bless you all abundantly. Pray for me.

Fraternally,

J. G. CHASTAIN.

BRO. E. Z. SIMMON'S LETTER.

CANTON, CHINA, August 16th, 1892.

MY DEAR BRO. TAYLOR:

Your kind letter was duly received. Thank you. We are always eager to get our home letters, and yet we are almost afraid to open them, for we so often hear of the death of some relative or friend. Our loved ones are gathering fast on the other side of the River. The leaving us is sad, but for them it is all joy and gladness, and it is a blessed hope that this joy will be ours after our work is done. But the thought that often oppresses me is the fact that there are so many that are strangers to this hope, and that, too, for want of knowledge, and we should realize the fact that people are not going to want this till they know something of the value of it. A desire for the gospel is always created by giving the gospel; hence the necessity for preaching the gospel often and long to the heathen before they believe in great numbers. And hence the need of many more missionaries; for the harvest is great and the laborers few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into His harvest.

I have just returned from the Chapel where I preached to a large audience. But O! how different it is preaching here and at home. There you always have some interested, sympathizing and loving hearers to help you. But here it is opposition, suspicion and indifference that stares at you. I do not wonder that Paul said: "And who is sufficient for these things." And I feel it all the more keenly, when I know that our preaching is "a saver of death unto so many and of life unto so few. Yet, we must remember our marching orders," "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Oh how I wish that more of the young men and women in our churches would hear and heed the Master's com-

mand. And my dear Brother, why not some of your children? Have you ever offered them to the Lord for this work? Nothing that we have should be considered too precious as a gift for the Lord's service. And a gift to the Lord is always repaid tenfold. I do wish that our church at Kossuth might furnish several missionaries for the foreign field.

What great opportunities and possibilities there are for Christians in this Centennial year of Missions. We are in some measure trying to do our part here. In our mission of trade, we have given as our offering, over and above our usual gifts $800.00. This we are using to send out native evangelists. Early in July nine brethren in four companies were sent out. They go from village to village preaching and selling tracts. They get no pay—only their actual food and traveling expenses. After consultation with them they each took $6.00 to bear their expenses for two months. They have some simple rules for their government:

1st. They are to begin each day by reading the Bible and prayer, praying specially for the Spirit to help them preach, that at least one person may believe.

2d. That wherever they are at night they will try and have the people in the house to be present and join with them in worship.

3d. That if during the day they have said or done anything wrong, that they will make confession to each other and to God and ask forgiveness of each other and of God. And

4th. That they will keep an exact account of their expenses, books sold and places visited.

We have partial reports from three of the parties and these indicate that they are much encouraged, and that they had visited probably largely over a hundred villages. All the reports will not be in until the end of the month. They will study a month and start again October 1st. Join us in praying for these brethren. Of course they cannot go on a long time at this work without pay, but this is the way they make their Centennial offering to missions. We hope that this is the beginning of a continuous effort in this kind of voluntary mission work. When our $800.00 is gone maybe we can give some more, or that we will be supplied with money by some one else. I believe if this is the best way for us to work the money will be given by some one.

We have just had 9 baptisms. One here, two at Chemeg-ning and six at Young-Uni. This makes thirty this year only. Wife and I and two of the young lady Missionaries spent most of July in Macao resting. Some of the others are there now. We have both had some fever this summer. This we expect more or less every year. Bro. Green, our new Missionary, does not seem to be in very good health, but we hope after he has become acclimatized he will be alright.

We are anxiously hoping for some more new Missionaries and a

physician so that some of us can go to some other city and start a new Mission. If we can get our share of the 100 to be sent out this year, we can start two or three new missions. This depends upon what you Brothers and Sisters at home do in the way of giving yourselves and your money. May the Lord help us to do our duty, to our God and to our fellowmen.

Remember us kindly to the friends that have recently been bereaved by the death of their loved ones; they have our sympathies. Also remember us to relatives and friends generally. Wife joins me in Christian love to you and Sister Taylor and to each of the children by name. Pray for us and our work.

I am Yours Fraternally,

E. Z. SIMMONS.

Eld. J. R. Barrett, Chairman, read report on State and Associational Missions, which after an interesting discussion by Elds. J. R. Barrett on Association Missions, and J. H. Taylor, State Missions, was adopted:

STATE AND ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Your Committee beg leave to report: We trust while the great Centennial efforts are being made to arouse us to our duty towards the heathen in foreign fields, while we are made to rejoice at what has been done in the past century, and at the efforts that are now being made, that greater things may yet be done in the next century. We also trust that this great movement may be instrumental in opening our eyes to the important need of home, for our very souls are stirred within us when we think of the sinners that are perishing at our doors almost, for the want of gospel food; yes, relatives, friends and strangers within our gates who have not the gospel preached to them, and strangers are coming in more or less every year. It is our heart's desire to see the ranks swelling by increased numbers enlisting in the great warfare, and we know of no better way to commence this grand work than to open our eyes and behold the field that is white to harvest at our doors and pray the Lord to send us laborers in this field.

J. R. BARRETT, Chairman.

Association then adjourned to meet at arbor when Eld. L. R. Burress preached from Eph. 2 chap. 1–2 to a large auditory, after which a recess was had until 2 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

Association met at 2 o'clock p. m. After service of song and reading selection of scripture, 2d Chron. 1st chap., by Eld. J. S. Berry, and prayer by Eld. W. G. Thompson, proceeded to business.

Eld. J. R. Barrett, Missionary in the bounds of this Association, read following report which was adopted:

MISSIONARY REPORT.

To the Executive Board of the Tishomingo Baptist Association:

I submit the following as report of my work during this associational year: Families visited, 243; prayer meetings held, 43; Sabbath schools organized, 2; baptized, 1; conversions in destitute parts, 44; addresses on religious subjects, 21; preached in different places, 55; miles traveled, 2,688; sermons preached, 137; Sabbath schools visited, 7; assisted in church services, 51; assisted in ordination, 1; tracts given away, 1,140 pages.

Fraternally,

J. R. BARRETT, Missionary.

TISHOMINGO ASSOCIATION—In Account with J. W. Burress, Chairman of Board.

To balance on hand, last report		$ 7.63
" amount contributed Foreign Missions		163.83
" " " Home "		82.95
" " " State "		49.70
" " " Associational		264.61
" " " Ministerial education		89.65
" " " Theological Seminary		10.00
Balance due me		7.37
		$675.74
By amount sent Foreign Missions	$163.83	
" " " Home "	82.95	
" " " State "	139.35	
" " " Seminary	10.00	
" " paid Eld. J. R. Barrett	279.61	
	$675.74	

To Balance due me, $7.37.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. BURRESS, Chairman.

Eld. W. A. McComb submitted report on Schools, Colleges and Ministerial Education and after being ably discussed by the Chairman and Prof. W. I. Gibson and others, adopted.

SCHOOLS, COLLEGES AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your Committee begs leave to make the following report:

In Mississippi the Baptist Churches are in advance of any denomination in number. One of the many causes of this gratifying state of affairs is the many efficient schools and colleges under Baptist influence throughout the State.

We have a dozen or more institutions of learning in the State and all are doing well. Foremost among these is Mississippi Col-

lege, which is the property and in a great measure the power of the Baptist of Mississippi. This noble institution has recently secured a $60,000 endowment, $42,000 of which is safely and profitably invested. The State Convention which met at Meridian, Miss., was offered by Meridian, fifty thousand dollars and thirty acres of land within one and a half miles of the incorporate limits of the city. This offer was accepted and the Convention voted to move the College to Meridian. It is hoped that this is the beginning of greater things for OUR College. We would commend the many other noble institutions in our State, under Baptist influence, to our people.

We desire to make special mention of Blue Mountain Female College, which we deem one of the leading female colleges of the South.

We would also recommend to this Association the propriety of considering the idea of inaugurating plans for opening and maintaining a denominational high school in this Association. To this end we would recommend that a Committee of five, consisting of Bros. Jno. D. Bills, Corinth; J. W. Burress, Baldwyn; E. S. Candler, Sr., Iuka; R. C. Cates, Kossuth; and Geo. Walton, Booneville, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to meet at Kossuth on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in October, 1892, and that this Committee report to the next session of this body the propriety of undertaking such an enterprise.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

As to the importance of Ministerial Education, we feel the necessity of calling the attention of our people to the importance of seeking out and educating the young men whom God has called to the ministry of a work the importance of which can scarcely be magnified too much. In order to do this it is necessary for our people to be educated to liberal and systematic support of the Board of Ministerial Education. We would further urge the necessity of our people praying the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers into the field.

We would also call attention to the advantage arising from the Messengers making pledges to be paid to some Brother in the Association, whose duty it shall be to forward said amount to the Board of Ministerial Education.

We would recommend Eld. W. A. McComb as a man suitable for the work of collecting and forwarding this money.

J. H. TAYLOR, Chairman.

Association then proceeded to the taking of pledges from the Messengers of Churches with the following result:

Baldwyn, (by J. W. B.) $5.00; Burnsville, (by Sister Davis) $5.00; Booneville, (Prof. Gibson) $15.00; Corinth, (W. A. McComb) $25.00; County Line, $5.00; Chewalla, $10.00; Concord,

$2.00; Farmington, $2.50; Glendale, 1.00; Gaston, $2.50; Hink Creek, $5.00; Cane Creek, $1.00; Iuka Church, $10.00; Iuka L dies' Aid Society, $4.00; Jacinto, $2.50; Kossuth, $10.00; Meado Creek, $2.00; Mt. Gillead, $2.50; New Salem, $1.00; Oak Hil $2.50; Piney Grove, $2.00; Rienzi, $2.00; Shiloh, $5.00; Sardi $2.50; Union, $1.00. Total, $126.00.

Association adjourned until 7:30 o'clock p. m., at which hour th Association met and after devotional exercises conducted by Eld J. H. Taylor in service of song and prayer, the special order fo the consideration of Centennial of Missions was taken up when Eld W. A. McComb read the following report which was eloquentl maintained by Eld. W. T. Lowrey, D. D., President of Blue Moun tain Female College, in an earnest and able appeal, was adopted:

THE CENTENNIAL OF MISSIONS.

In accordance with the recommendation made at the last session of this Association, the Campaign of Centennial of Missions has already been inaugurated.

There have been Centennial meetings held during the past associational year at Baldwyn, Booneville, Corinth, Farmington, Iuka, and Rienzi. We are led to believe that good has been accomplished at all of these meetings, and good collections were taken for missions at each place.

It is earnestly urged by this Committee that an effort be made to hold Centennial meetings with every Church in this Association between now and the next meeting of this body, and thus use this Centennial year as an occasion for educating the people on the subject of Missions.

To this end the Centennial Committee have appointed a Centennial meeting with the Kossuth Church to begin on Friday before the fifth Sunday in October. It is intended to make this meeting at Kossuth the grand rally of the Association for the Centennial year. To this end it is hoped that all the Churches of the Association will participate in this meeting.

It is recommended that a permanent fund of $250,000 be raised; $125,000 each for the Foreign and Home Mission Boards. This amount to be used in Bible translation, Chapel building, a church edifice fund and permanent work. This amount is to be in addition to the proposed sending to our foreign fields during the year one hundred new Missionaries and correspondingly enlarging all other departments of our Missionary work.

It is further recommended that Mississippi raise $10,000 of this amount. If each of the 83,000 Baptists of Mississippi would give 13 cents each, the amount would be more than raised.

We urge the scriptural plan of regular and systematic giving. Every member of each Church giving something to the Grand Cause of Missions.

(Signed) W. A. McComb, Chairman.
L. R. Burress,
J. R. Barrett,
E. S. Candler, Jr.,
J. H. Taylor,
W. T. Richardson,
Committee.

Devotional Committee announced that 8:30 o'clock a. m. be designated for the consideration of report on Sabbath Schools and Sabbath Observance, also report on Temperance and Preaching at 11 o'clock a. m., by Elder W. T. Lowrey. Association then adjourned to 8:30 a. m.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION.

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional services by Eld. J. H. Taylor. Song, "Come Thou Fount." Reading 67 Ps. Prayer by Prof. W. I. Gibson. Song, "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Prayer by Eld. W. A. McComb.

Eld. W. D. Robinson read the following report on Temperance which elicited an interesting discussion by Elds. W. A. McComb, J. H. Taylor, J. S. Berry and Bros. Hines and T. H. Underwood, and was adopted :

TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee begs leave to report the following : It is a fact plainly to be seen by all honest thinking people, that the whiskey traffic is vanishing, and must be completely banished from our midst. It has long been a nuisance to our country, and detrimental not only to the peace of many homes, but it has been the means of destroying many souls. We are scarcely able to give you a faint conception of the damage that has been done to humanity by this one thing alone; but we are glad to say that there are but few localities that are to-day invaded by this great evil, and when we view the different sections of our country we can plainly see the advance made morally. Our people are getting upon a higher plain morally, mentally, financially and religiously. One can see

that the time and money of our people are not being spent in ou courts to satisfy the criminal dockets of the indictments caused b the use and traffic of intoxicating drinks. Our jail doors are bein thrown open and instead of our lawyers standing and pleading i the courts to have the fathers and sons acquitted they are goin over our country talking in prayer meetings and visiting from on Association to another, preaching the unsearchable riches of God' grace and pleading with condemned sinners to come and submit t the Great Judge of all the world and be made free in the provi dence of God. What is bringing about this reformation? It i done by radicating from our midst the so-called social drink; by that means the mutual capacity has been enlarged, our hopes have been brightened, giving greater latitude to thought and noble purpose in life. So let us be encouraged by what has been accomplished and earnestly contend for the right.

W. D. Robinson, Chairman.

SABBATH SCHOOLS AND SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Eld. J. A. Gray read following report which was discussed by Eld. J. H. Taylor, Eld. W. A. McComb, Eld. J. S. Berry and Prof. W. I. Gibson, and adopted:

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools and Sabbath Observance, beg to report: That we consider this subject one of vital importance and should receive the careful consideration of every member of this Association. While there is a great deal being done on this line of church work, yet, we feel that there is not enough of earnestness and zeal on the part of our people in the field of labor. By an examination of the reports that come up from the churches of the Association, and from personal observation also, we find that wherever there is a good working Sunday School that the church is alive to every good work. We believe that Sabbath Schools are doing more for the proper observance of the Sabbath than any other one thing, except the preached word. Therefore we earnestly beg that every member of this Association give more attention to this part of the work than has been given to it heretofore.

J. A. Gray, Chairman.

The Association adjourned at 10:30 o'clock a. m. for preaching by Dr. W. T. Lowrey, who delivered an eloquent, spiritual and gospel sermon to a large audience.

SUNDAY EVENING SESSION.

Association met and after service and prayer and song, conducted by Eld. W. A. Comb, Eld. J. H. Taylor, Chairman of Committee on Obituaries, read the following report, which on motion, was received and adopted:

OBITUARIES.

While we have been so graciously blessed the past year by our Heavenly Father, He has seen fit to take from us some of the most earnest workers of our Association; yet while this is being done we would not call in question the Justice of God, or doubt His wise management, for we know that "All things work out for the best to those who love Him," and that those who are taken from us are only called from labor to rest. Your Committee has been able to obtain the following names of dead:

BRO. W. J. LIPSCOMB, ANTIOCH, No. 2.

SISTER ETTA B. NELSON, BALDWYN.

SISTER LOU MORRIS, BOONEVILLE.

SISTER MARY McCLAMROCK, CANE CREEK.

SISTER LESTER WILLIAMS, CORINTH.

BRO. W. H. HUDSPETH, GASTON.

SISTER C. I. MOSS, IUKA.

SISTER ANN T. JONES, KOSSUTH.

SISTER CORNELIA POLK, KOSSUTH.

SISTER CATHARINE GURLY, UNION.

On motion of Elder W. A. McComb, the literature of the Souther Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tennessee, was recom mended to the Sunday Schools in this Association.

The business of the Association being through Brother W. T Richardson read the following resolutions of thanks which wa adopted:

RESOLVED, That we, the members of this Association do hereby extend to the members of the Burnsville Church and the citizens o this town and community, our sincere thanks for the hospitality and kindness shown the members and visitors of this Association.

2. That we pledge our continual sympathy and prayers for this noble Church, pastor and town.

3. That ten dollars be paid the Clerk for his services, and if remainder be insufficient for the publication and distribution of minutes, that he be authorized to call on Executive Board for a sufficiency.

4. That the thanks of this body be and are hereby tendered the Moderator, Brother J. D. Bills, and the Clerk J. W. Smith, for their efficient services rendered as officers of this Association.

5. That we return to the M. & C. railroad company thanks and appreciation for furnishing delegates to this Association transportation at reduced rates.

Respectiully submitted. W. T. RICHARDSON, Chairman.

The Chair announced the business of the Association finished, a song was sung during which the parting hand was extended to each other and the Association adjourned to meet with Piney Grove, four miles east of Rienzi on the M. & O. railroad on Friday before the first Lord's day in October, 1893.

J. W. SMITH, Clerk. J. D. BILLS, Moderator.

DELEGATES PRESENT.

Antioch No. 1.—Tom Morrow, A. M. Dixon, D. T. Stephenson.
Antioch No. 2.—W. M. Bynum, Cluade Harris, A. B. Norman.
Baldwyn—J. W. Burress.
Burnsville—H. M. Cobb, M. O. Elledge, James Gray.
Booneville—Elder J. S. Berry, W. I. Gibson, J. W. Smith.
Brush Creek—Not represented.
County Line—Letter, no delegates.
Corinth—Elder W. A. McCombs, J. D. Bills, E. S Candler, Jr.,
Cane Creek—Elder R. J. Jennings.
Chewalla—Elder T. Moorland, A. H. Derrybury.
Concord—Jno. W. Smith, M. H. Yates.
Cayce Creek—W. R. Thompson.
Coln Chapel—Not represented.
Fellowship—Thos. Davis, T. B. White.
Farmington—W. S. Rommie, A. B. Voyles, J. T. Warren.
Glendale—G. W. Lowry, J. F. White, E. Dowd.
Gaston—B. W. Holmes.
Hinkle Creek—J. E. Miller, W. H. Scally, J. A. Gray.
Iuka—W. M. Ellis, J. F. Carpenter, and Sister Louvenia Ellis.
Jacinto—W. D. Robinson, J. C. Hughes.
Kossuth—Elder J. H. Taylor, T. H. Underwood, W. O. Huff.
Lone Oak—Peter Crum, J. C. Henderson.
Meadow Creek—C. P. Duncan, J. M. Fulgham.
Mt. Pleasant—J. M. Burcham.
Mt. Olive—Elder L. R. Burress.
Mt. Gillead—E. D. Gleen, T. D. Davis.
New Salem—Elder J. Skinner, J. J. Gurley.
Osborne Creek—T. W. Jones.
Oak Hill—Elder T. B. Roberts.
Piney Grove—Elder H. C. Gilbert, A. G. Toler, A. W. Calvery.
Rienzi—Elder J. R. Barrett, R. P. Gray.
Shiloh—No delegates. Letter.
Sardis—J. W. Holden, J. S. Woodly.
Union—G. P. Willis, J. R. Buford, John Jones.
Union Grove No. 1.—W. C. Dubois, Daniel Harlow.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

L. R. Burress—Baldwyn, Mississippi.
J. S. Berry—Booneville, Mississippi.

J. H. Bird—Hightown, Mississippi.
J. R. Barrett—Rienzi, Mississippi.
J. G. Archer—Booneville, Mississippi.
L. A. Little—Booneville, Mississippi.
S. D. Chapman—Geeville, Mississippi.
H. C. Gilbert—Corinth, Mississippi.
J. L. Gray—Burnsville, Mississippi.
W. M. Henderson—Rienzi, Mississippi.
W. O. Huff—Kossuth, Mississippi.
J. C. Hughes—Jacinto, Mississippi.
R. J. Jennings—Chewalla, Mississippi.
J. T. Harris—Rienzi, Mississippi.
W. A. Huff—Rienzi, Mississippi.
W. A. McComb—Corinth, Mississippi.
T. Moreland—Chewalla, Tennessee.
S. F. Mock—Burnt Mills, Mississippi.
W. L. Norman, Eagle, Mississippi.
W. C. Patterson—Burton, Mississippi.
J. F. Russell—Silver Springs, Mississippi.
T. B. Roberts—Geeville, Mississippi.
H. A. Ramply—Baldwyn, Mississippi.
W. D. Robinson—Jacinto, Mississippi.
W. A. Reynolds—Geeville, Mississippi.
E. Z. Simmons—Canton, China.
J. S. Kenner—Burnsville, Mississippi.
G. H. Savage—Rienzi, Mississippi.
A. C. Vandever—Geeville, Mississippi.
H. C. Spencer—Burrow, Mississippi.
Geo. E. Wooten—Corinth, Mississippi.

LICENTIATES

Booneville—T. E. Spain, J. W. Petty, L. A. Bell.

Corinth—J. C. Swain, J. L. Lowe, W. F. McGee, W. T. Richardson.

Iuka—C. A. Dugger, W. P. Holt.

Rienzi—W. M. Bynum.

Kossuth—W. D. Conn.

Burnsville—J. W. Lovelace.

Silver Springs—Geo. Davis, B. Robinson.

Glendale—W. A. Strickland.

MINUTE FUND CONTRIBUTED.

Antioch No. 1, fifty-five cents; Antioch No. 2, fifty cents; Baldwyn, $2.00; Burnsville, $1.00; Booneville, $2.10; Corinth, $3.50; Cayce Creek, fifty cents; Cane Creek, $1.50; County Line, $1.00; Chewalla, ninety cents; Collections, $2.55; Fellowship, seventy-five cents; Farmington, seventy-five cents; Glendale, sixty cents; Gaston, sixty cents; Lone Oak, seventy cents; Kossuth, $2.15; Hinkle Creek, $1.70; Iuka, $2 50; Jacinto, sixty cents; Mt. Gilead, sixty cents; Meadow Creek, $1.00; Mt. Olive, $2.75; New Salem, $1.00; Oak Hill, $1.00; Piney Grove, seventy cents; Rienzi, fifty cents; Sardis ninety-five cents; Shiloh, seventy-five cents; Union, sixty cents; Osborn Creek, $1.50; Union Grove, twenty cents. Total, $38.00.

COLLECTIONS FOR STATISTICAL REPORT OF FOREIGN, HOME, STATE AND ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS, MINISTERIAL EDUCATION, SEMINARY; ALSO PASTORS' SALARY, CHURCH EXPENSES, AND SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS, ETC., ETC.:

CHURCHES.	MISSIONS. FOREIGN	HOME	STATE	ASS'N	MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.	SEMINARY	PASTORS' SALARY.	CHURCH EXPENSES.	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.	AMOUNT FOR LITERATURE ETC.	SUNDAY SCHOOL STAT. NO. PUP'S	AV. AT.
Antioch No. 1	$ 2.00			6 25								
Antioch No. 2				3 50								
Baldwyn	23 00			45 80	5 00	10 00	150 00		2000 00	30 00	30	20
Booneville	22 50	22 50	12 00	17 78			250 00	75 00	500 00	35 00	85	50
Burnsville												
Corinth	47 75	33 00	27 70	40 00	32 00		775 25	1122 75	4375 00	46 05	1 30	90¼
County Line				10 15								
Cane Creek				3 00			33 00				50	30
Chewalla												
Concord				1 90			10 00					
Cayce Creek				2 50								
Fellowship	5 05			5 10			68 50	6 00		5 50	25	20
Farmington				10 88			51 55			2 30	46	23
Glendale	3 23			5 75								
Gaston				3 80								
Hinkle Creek	6 00	6 00		6 75	9 00		100 00			10 00	30	20
Iuka	15 00	5 00	10 00	6 10	10 00		360 00	52 86	2000 00	22 95	97	56
Jacinto				5 40								
Kossuth	16 40	16 45		30 00	5 00		200 00	12 00	1000 00	18 00	50	27
Lone Oak												
Meadow Creek												
Mt. Pleasant												
Mt. Olive	16 75			12 05	17 00		198 75		800 00	20 00	75	45
Mt Gilead												
New Salem												
Osborne Creek				7 50	11 65		100 00	15 00	500 00	5 00	35	25
Oak Hill	2 15			1 00								
Piney Grove	50			4 00								
Rienzi	3 50			21 00								
Shiloh				12 50			135 00		300 00			
Sardis				1 90							35	25
Union												
Union Grove												
Total	$163.83	82 95	49 70	264 61	89 65	10 00		1283 61	11,475 00	194 80	688	431

RULES OF ORDER.

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be opened with prayer.

2. The Moderator shall be considered the judge of order, but any member not satisfied with his decision, may appeal, provided the appeal be made on the same day, but at no subsequent time.

3. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as members, but not to vote, unless his vote be necessary to decide a question. If he rises to speak he shall call some other brother to the chair.

4. All questions brought before the Association shall be introduced by motion, and if seconded, shall be opened for discussion, unless withdrawn by the mover or his second. When a subject has been taken up and a reasonable time allowed for discussion, the Moderator shall take the vote by yeas and nays, and if a call for a division be made, it shall be decided by members rising.

5. Any member desiring to speak shall rise and address the Moderator. Only one member shall be allowed to speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject, or make personal reflections.

6. No person shall speak more than once on the same subject until all who wish to speak shall have had an opportunity; not more than twice upon any subject without permission.

7. Every question introduced for discussion, shall be decided before another is offered, unless it be laid over, on motion, with the consent of the mover of the resolution.

8. The Association shall, in all cases, be governed by a majority of the members present, except in the reception of churches, then a unanimous vote shall be required. But in no case shall one member or Church prevent the reception of a Church without sufficient cause shown, which shall be determined by a majority.

9. The names of the members shall be called whenever the Association, shall direct and the absentees marked. Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission of the Moderator.

10. The appellation of Brother, shall be used by members in addressing each other.

11. Any member violating these rules shall be subject to be reproved by the Moderator, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

12. Amendments or alterations may be made to these rules when majority may deem it necessary.

ABSTRACT OF FAITH.

ARTICLE 1. We believe in the only living and true God—the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2. We believe the Bible to be the Word of God, and it is our only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the total depravity of human nature, and that man is dead in trespass and sin.

4. We believe that salvation is the gift of God by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and that sinners are justified, in the sight of God, alone by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, which is unto all and with all them that believe.

5. We believe in the doctrine of Election; that God has, from the beginning, chosen us to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the Truth.

6. We believe that the Holy Spirit accompanies the Word of God in the salvation of man, in answer to the prayer of Christians.

7. We believe in the final perseverance of saints, and that all who truly believe shall be eternally saved.

8. We believe that baptism is emersion alone, and that none but true believers are proper subjects of the ordinance; and that none but regularly baptized and ordained Ministers have a right to administer it; and that it is a pre-requisite to the Lord's Supper; and all who come to the Lord's table must come according to the Lord's word.

9. We believe that a Gospel Church is a body of true believers in Christ, who have been regularly baptized, upon a profession of their faith in Him, and that there are but two officers in a Church, viz: the Elder or Pastor, and Deacon.

10. We believe it to be the duty of each Church to extend and circulate the Word of God as far as their means will enable them.

11. We believe in the resurrection of all men and in a future and general judgment; and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

COVENANT.

[Adopted in 1860 at the formation of the Association, and afterwards ratified by the Churches.]

ARTICLE 1. We, as independent Churches of Jesus Christ, do mutually covenant to unite our efforts and influence for the advancement of the cause of Christ, under the title of the TISHOMINGO BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

2. We agree to hold annual meetings, to be composed of delegates chosen by the respective Churches, bearing letters, to be

read at the opening of the meeting, showing their appointmen and also showing the number received by baptism, by letter, b restoration; dismissed by letter, excluded or dead, together wit the whole number in fellowship. Also, average number of Sunda School pupils and number of conversions, amounts contributed t Associational Missions, State Missions, Foreign Missions, Hom Missions, Ministerial Education, Support of Pastors, Church Ex penses, Church Improvements and total expended, and valuatio of Church property.

3. We agree that every Church belonging to this body, shall b entitled to three delegates until they number 100 members, the one for every fifty above that number.

4. When any Church shall fail to communicate with this body for three successive meetings, it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us, and will be dropped from the Minutes, unless two or more members shall request its continuance, and will also engage to enquire into its standing and report at the next annual meeting.

5. Other Churches may be admitted into this union by signifying their wish by letter and delegates, provided they be deemed Scriptural.

6. We will elect a Moderator and Clerk by ballot, at each annual meeting, as soon as the letters from the Churches are read and the members' names enrolled; letters from petitionary Churches being received, that their delegates may also have the privilege of voting.

7. We disclaim the right to adopt rules that can, at any time, infringe upon the independence and rights of the Churches. We may, however, advise Churches when they request it, and will withdraw from such as become heretical in doctrine and disorderly in discipline.

8. We will have an Executive Board composed of seven members, elected annually, and the Moderator and Clerk, whose duty it shall be to take charge of all the funds sent up by the Churches, and dispose of the same as the Churches may direct.

9. We will correspond with sister Associations. Any member of this body, whose name appears on our Minutes, is authorized to represent us in other religious bodies.

10. We will have our Minutes read, corrected, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the session rises, and will not adjourn except in extraordinary cases, until all the business is finished.

11. We will, while convenient, appoint the time and place for holding the next annual meeting of this body, and elect a brother to preach Associational sermon. The Association may make such alterations and amendments to the Covenant as two-thirds of the members may deem necessary.

REPORTS

OF THE WOMEN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES OF THE CHURCHES OF THE TISHOMINGO ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1891, AND CLOSING OCTOBER 1, 1892.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE ASSOCIATION—We send you the following statistical report of our work:

BALDWYN SOCIETY—Foreign Mission Board, 60 cts; Frontier Missions, $9.00; Pastors' expenses to Convention, $5.75; Home uses, $7.75; Ministerial Education, $5.00; Postoffice fees, 10 cts; Sustentation, $4.00. Total amount expended, $32.20. Total amount collected, $35.25. Balance on hand, $3.05.

MRS. H. L. BURGE, President.

MRS. CORA YOUNGBLOOD, Secretary.

CORINTH—Women's Missionary Society of Corinth Baptist Church: Foreign Missions, $2.50; Home Missions, $23.00; State Missions, $26.55; Home uses, $247.95; total $300.00.

MRS. M. E. CURLEE, President.

MRS. W. A. MCCOMB, Secretary.

Young Ladies' Missionary Society Corinth Baptist Church: Home, $56.00.

BETTIE IJAMS, President.

KATE IJAMS, Secretary.

Willing Worker's Missionary Society Corinth Baptist Church—Foreign Missions, $2.00; Home uses, $60.01; Home Missions, $5.00; total, $67.01.

MRS. W. A. MCCOMB, President.

DORA GRAHAM, Secretary.

HINKLE CREEK—Women's Missionary Society of Hinkle Creek Church: Foreign Missions, $1.00; Ministerial Education, 30 cts; State Missions, $1.40; Home use, $1.08; Association Missions, $2.25. Total, $6.03. Balance on hand, $2.51.

IUKA—Women's Missionary Society of Iuka Baptist Church: Foreign Missions, $6.90; Ministerial Education, $35.00; State Missions, $20.00; Home use, $8.95. Total, $70.85.

MRS. L. J. ELLIS, President.

MRS. C. E. MILLSAPS, Secreeary.

Grand total for all Societies reported to Association $532.09.

MRS. W. A. MCCOMB, Vice-President,
Women's Work Tish. Association.

UNION MEETINGS, 1893.

FIRST DISTRICT.

Union meeting First District to meet with Church at Oak Hi 9 miles west of Booneville, Friday before Third Lord's day in Jul 1893, 10 o'clock a. m. Elder S. D. Chapman to preach introdu tory sermon.

PROGRAMME.

1. Christian Literature—W. I. Gibson, T. H Underwood.
2. Brotherly Love—Elder J. S. Berry, Howard Youngblood.
3. Evidences of Conversion—Elder H. A. Rampley, T. B. Rol erts.
4. Church Government—Elder L. R. Burress, James Cox.
5. Prayer—J. W. Phillips, J. A. Jones.
6. The Deacon—T. W. Jones, J. W. Burress.
7. The Preacher—J. V. Alexander, J. H. McGee.
8. Duty of Churches to Pastor—Elder J. G. Archer, W. M Burge.
9. Missions—Elder J. R. Barrett, W. A. Reynolds.
10. Why am I a Baptist?—Elder G. W. Williams, W. E. Thomas

W. E. THOMAS, Chairman.

H. YOUNGBLOOD, Secretary.

SECOND DISTRICT.

To be held with Church at Farmington, Thursday before First Lord's Day in August, 1893.

PROGRAMME.

1. Should Foot Washing be Practiced in the Churches?—Eld's J. Skinner, J. C. Hughes.
2. The Atonement of Christ—Eld's H. C. Gilbert, W. A. Huff.
3. Why do Baptists Practice Restricted Communion?—J. D. Bills, Elder W. O. Huff.
4. Is the Doctrine of Apostacy a Bible Doctrine?—Eld's J. H. Taylor, J. R. Barrett.
5. Is Heartfelt Religion a Delusion?—Elder W. D. Robinson, J. O. Looney.
6. The Origin, History, Workings and Possibilities of the Union Meeting, 2nd District—J. Q. Melton, E. F. Rommie.
7. How Should Church Members Act so as to Inspire Confidence in Their Sincerety—Eld. W. A. McComb, J. D. Burge, J. O. Looney.

By order of committee.

J. O. LOONEY, Chairman.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.	PASTORS.	BAPTIZED	REC. BY LET.	RESTORED	DIS. BY LET.	EXCLUDED	DIED	TOTAL
Antioch No. 1	J. C. Dixon	Silver Springs	J. F. Russell	7	6		11			69
Antioch No. 2	J. T. Harris	Rienzi	W. M. Henderson						1	24
Baldwyn	A. B. Griffin	Baldwyn	L. R. Burress		4				1	50
Burnsville	M. O. Elledge	Burnsville	R. J. Jennings	1	1		7	4	1	60
Booneville	J. W. Smith	Booneville	S. G. Cooper	12	12		2	1	1	94
Corinth	J. C. Skillman	Corinth	W. A. McCombs	15	18	3	11	1	2	188
County Line	H. T. Outlaw	Baldwyn	H. A. Rampley	5	4	1				47
Cane Creek	P. S. Glover	Winnesoga	R. J. Jennings	3	18		16	23	1	98
Chewalla, Tenn.	T. J. Hurly	Chewalla, Tenn.	W. G. Thompson		4		2	2		79
Concord	Jno. W. Smith	Dry Run	W. E. Lancaster	5	1				1	26
Cayce Creek	L. A. Thompson	Baldwyn	G. D. Chapman	1	7		3	2		29
Coln Chapel	No report									45
Fellowship	J. E. McCarly	Bethany	L. R. Burress		2		1	2		43
Farmington	J. T. Warren	Corinth	Jes. E. Wooten	8		1	9	1	2	96
Glendale	J. F. White	Eagle	W. L. Norman					1		47
Gaston	W. H. Jennings	Booneville	G. H. Savage		1				1	45
Hinkle Creek	F. F. Holt	Rienzi	J. H. Taylor	2	3		5		2	96
Iuka	E. S. Candler, S.	Iuka	Jos. Shackelford	4	5		4	5	1	100
Jacinto	J. O. Looney	Jacinto	J. C. Hughes	1	5	2				19
Kosssuth	W. A. Richardson	Kossuth	J. H. Taylor	5	5				2	104
Lone Oak	J. C. Henderson	Theo	J. H. Byrd	4	5		2	1		56
Meadow Creek	G. H. Lollar	Booneville	J. G. Archer				5	1		48
Mt. Pleasant	S. A. Burcham	Jacinto	W. A. Huff			1	1			17
Mt. Olive	W. M. Burge	Geeville	L. R. Burress	6	3		3			189
Mt. Providence	No report									36
Mt. Gillead	G. W. Bishop	Iuka	J. Skinner	4		1	6		1	98
Mt. Sinai	No report									14
New Salem	W. H. Skinner	Burnsville	W. L. Norman	3	3		2	1		74
" Providence	No report									26
Osborn Creek	T. W. Jones	Booneville	J. H. Taylor	2	4		3		1	90
Oak Hill	No report									67
Piney Grove	I. W. Melton	Rienzi	G. H. Savage	6	4					69
Rocky Mount	No report									28
Rienzi	J. B. Curlee	Rienzi	J. R. Barrett	1						10
Shiloh	E. T. Jones	Gift	J. H. Taylor	8			3	1	1	125
Sardis	D. R. Barnett	Cartersville	J. C. Hughes	9	4		8			85
Tuscumbia	No report									61
Union	J. R. Bumpass	Hightown	B. F. Taylor	2	7	2	6		1	106
Union Grove, 1.	T. J. Burton		H. C. Gilbert	2						41
Union Grove, 2.	No report									18
			Total	116	126	11	104	46	20	2617

NOTE:—I find quite a discrepancy in the reports or statistics between the total membership last year, and this. Some Churches show considerable gain, but from some cause they report about the same total as last year. If each Church would show total last report, then their gains or losses would show corresponding increase or decrease for next report.—[CLERK.

MINUTES

—OF THE—

TISHOMINGO BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR 1894.

CHEWALLA, TENN.

The thirty-fourth Annual Session of the Tishomingo Baptist Association was begun and held with Chewalla Baptist Church on Friday before 2nd Sunday in September, 1894, at 8:30 o'clock, a. m. Devotional exercises conducted by Eld. L. R. Burress by singing, reading 103rd Psalm and prayer by Elds. Geo. Wharton, J. S. Berry and J. C. Hughes.

Bro. J. D. Bills, Moderator, being absent, the body was called to order by Bro. J. W. Smith, Clerk, who declared the Association ready for business.

On motion Eld. L. R. Burress was chosen Moderator pro-tem. Elds, Geo. Wharton, J. S. Berry and Bros. W. A. Richardson and A M. Belsher were appointed reading clerks. The following churches presented letters, which were read:

Rienzi, Cayces Creek, Concord. Fellowship, Piney Grove, Tuscumbia, New Prospect, Baldwyn, Mt. Olive, Osborne Creek, Farmington, Corinth, Brush Creek, Burnsville, Oak Hill, Jacinto, Booneville, Kossuth, Iuka, Hinkle Creek, Shiloh, Lone-Oak, Gaston, New Salem, Mt. Gilliad, Glendale, Chewalla, Meadow Creek and Cane Creek.

Petitionary letter from Liberty Church was presented and read, and on motion to receive, objection was made by Piney Grove Church, and on motion to refer the matter to special

committee of investigation, the following committee was appointed: Bros. J. W. Burress, J. F. Morris and Eld. Thos. Moreland, with authority to investigate and report at any time during the session.

The Association then proceeded to permanant organization. The Moderator appointed as Tellers, Eld. G. W. Potter of Chickasaw Association and Eld. B. F. Whitten of Oxford Association.

The ballot being taken and counted, Tellers announced Eld. L. R. Burress elected as Moderator and J. W. Smith, of Booneville, re-elected Clerk. The Moderator in an appropriate address, accepted the honor conferred on him, and the Association proceeded to business, after an earnest and fervent prayer by Eld. W. M. Henderson.

On motion of Eld. H. A. Rampley the following was adopted as the order of business:

1st. Call for Correspondence and invite visiting brethren to seats.

2nd. Appoint Committees.

3rd. Appoint Messengers to other bodies.

4th. Appoint time and place of next meeting of this body, and elect Elder to preach Associational Sermon.

5th. Call for reports.

6th. Elect Executive Board.

7th. Resolutions and miscellaneous business.

On call for Correspondence Eld. G. W. Potter, of Chickasaw Association, Eld. B. F. Whitten, of Oxford Association, Bro. W. N. Hent, of Yazoo Association and Eld. J. F. Ray, of Tippah Association, were recognized and invited to seats.

Devotional Committee announced that Eld. J. S. Berry would preach Associational Sermon as alternate, at 11 o'clock a. m.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:

STATE OF RELIGION.—Eld. W. M. Henderson ch.; Elds. T. B. Roberts and R. J. Jennings.

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.—Bros. W. A. Richardson ch.; D. T. Beall, D. E. Bonds with Pastor and Deacons of this church.

Association adjourned at 11 o'clock a. m. to 2 o'clock p. m. Eld. J, S. Berry preached associational sermon, subject, The Commission, text, Matthew 28:-19.

EVENING SESSION.—Association met pursuant to adjournment at 2 o'clock p. m., after service of song and prayer led by Eld. W. T. Richardson, proceeded to business.

Elder W. M. Henderson, chairman of Committee on State of Religion, presented report and after an interesting discussion by chairman Henderson, Elds. J. R. Jennings, L. R. Burress, J. C. Swaim, J. Skinner, J. S. Berry, H. A. Rampley and Geo. Wharton, was adopted as follows;

STATE OF RELIGION.—Your Committee on State of Religion beg leave to report as follows:

After looking over the statistics of the past year from the letters that have been presented and read before this body, we note with regret that the results have not been as favorable this year as they were last. But we need not become discouraged at this, but rather become more earnest and go forward to do greater things in the Master's vinyard in the future, remembering that God is able to "Make all grace abound." In view of our short comings during the present year, and our great need of special Divine guidance in so great a work, we your committee advise that a day be set apart for special prayer and fasting throughout the bounds of this association.

Respectfully Submitted.

WM. M. HENDERSON, Chm.

Dr. J. N. Hall, of Ky., and co-editor of Western Recorder, of Louisville, Ky., was recognized and accorded a seat in our body.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:

PUBLICATIONS.—Elds. H. A. Rampley Chm., W. T. Richardson, J. C. Hughes and Bros. M. O. Elledge and W. L. Burrow.

FINANCE.—Elds. R. J. Jennings Chm., T. B. Roberts and Bro. H. H. Sisk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND SABBATH OBSERVANCE.—Eld. Geo. Wooten Chm., Bros. J. W. Burress, W. T. Steen, G. W. Mahaffey and J. F. Hensly.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.—Elds. Geo. Wharton Chm., J. C. Swaim, W. D. Robertson and Bros. Jno. A. Gray and W. D. Conn.

SCHOOLS, COLLEGES and EDUCATION.—Elds. J. S. Berry Chm. J. Skinner and Bros. W. T. Jones, E. T. Jones, and L. A. Burgess.

HOME MISSIONS.—Eld. J. C. Swaim Chm., Bros. J. A. Gray, R. W. Glenn and Eld. W. D. Robinson.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Bros. T. W. Jones Chm. J. F. White, G. W. Willingham and Terry Miller.

STATE AND ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.—Eld. J. S. Berry, Bros. W. R. Jacobs, J. T. Stutts and W. R. Holt.

TEMPERANCE.—Elds. Geo. Wharton Chm., E. T. Jones, J. L. Coke and W. E. Richard.

OBITUARIES.—Elds. J. Skinner Chm., W. M. Henderson, Bros. J. V. Alexander and J. W Melton.

NOMINATIONS.—Eld. J. C. Hughes Chm., Bros. Geo. Walton and T. M. Underwood.

RESOLUTIONS.—Eld. W. T. Richardson Chm.

Eld. H. A. Rampley Chairman of Committee on Publications submitted the following report which was spoken to by Chm. Rampley, Bro. W. N. Hent of Baptist Layman Winona Miss, Eld. J. N. Hall of Ky., representing Western Recorder, of Louisville, Ky., and Eld. Geo. Wharton, representing Baptist Record, Meridian, Miss., and after discussion adopted.

PUBLICATIONS.

We your Committee on publications beg leave to report, Every Baptist in this Association yea, Every Baptist in this State, should be in touch and sympathy with the great educational move among our people, without sound literature, without wholesome reading, it would be impossible for any one to do so

We are aware of the fact that an abundance of cheap literature is circulated that is liable to ruin. the moral status of our country and to blast the religious hope of our young people by its profuse circulation. But thanks be unto the God of Heaven, on the other hand we have an abundance of sound and healthy literature, whose tendency is to elevate and raise our people.

We will mention some of them.

1st. Our State paper, the Baptist Record. Every Baptist home should have the Record, so that we may be in touch with the great Missionary Enterprise of our State.

2nd. The Sunday School Times, of Philadelphia, Pa.

3rd. The Sunday School Literature of the Southern Baptist Board, at Nashville, Tenn.

4th. The Baptist Layman, of Winona, Miss., which is striving to elevate our people.

5th. The Foreign Mission Journal, Atlanta, Ga.

6th. The Western Recorder, of Louisville, Ky., and others too numerous to mention. Thus you see that parents are without excuse if they fail to supply their children with wholesome literature. Let us hope that soon, very soon, with a strong effort we will drive back the pernicious literature of the day and supplant it with good and pure reading matter.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. RAMPLEY, Chm.

Association adjourned to 8:30 a. m. Saturday.

Dr J. N. Hall preached an excellent sermon at 7:30, p. m. to a crowded house from 1st John, 2nd chap. 1st v.

SECOND DAY SATURDAY MORNING SEPT. 8TH.

Association met, at 8:30 a. m. pursuant to adjournment. Devational exercises by Eld. B. F. Whitten, with service of song, reading, selections from scripture and prayer.

Association proceeded to business, Moderator in the chair. Minutes of 1st days session were read, corrected and approved.

Committee on Nominations submitted report as follows.

1st. Your Committee cheerfully nominate the present Executive Board for re-election to-wit: Eld. J S Berry, Chm., Bros. J W Burress, T W Jones, J V Alexander, J O Looney, T F Holt, E S Candler, Jr., Elds. L R Burress, J W Smith, Ex-officio members.

2nd. Eld. Geo. E Wooten to preach associational sermon next association; Eld. H A Ramply, Alternate.

3rd. We leave it with the association to set time and place for the next meeting of this body.

J C HUGHES, Mod.

On motion the 1st and 2nd section of report were adopted. Quite an interesting discussion was participated in by advocates of churches applying for next session of this body. Baldwyn, Booneville, Fellowship and Kossuth churches were applicants. Booneville was selected as the place of next meeting, and Tuesday before 2nd Sunday in September, 1895, as the time. The report was then adopted.

The following delegates were chosen to the Mississppi Baptist Convention, to meet at..... ..... on Thursday before the 3rd Sunday in July, 1895:

Elds. J. C. Swaim, Geo. Wharton, J. S. Berry, L. R. Burress, H. A. Rampley and Bro. Geo. Walton.

Eld. Robertson, of Jackson, Tenn., was recognized as agent of Southwestern Baptist University of Jackson, and admitted to a seat in the body.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.—The following report on systematic giving was presented and read, and quite an interesting discussion was had and on motion report was adopted.

We your Committee, would report as follows: System is essential for the success of any business enterprise. No business will succeed without it. It is essential to the furtherance of the Gospel—for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause. Spasmodic giving—giving only when influenced to do so under strong emotion—is better than no giving, but only when our churches give not simply from a spontaneous outburst of religious fervor, not from a settled conviction of duty and in proportion as God has blessed, will our Zion see full prosperity in her work. We need to regulate our giving by some rule taken from God's word. Such a rule we find in 1 Cor. 16:2. "Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." Giving here as commanded by Paul has attached to it three things worthy of note, namely: 1st. It is universal "Let everyone of you"; 2nd. Systematic, "On the first day of the week"; 3rd. Proportionate, "As the Lord has prospered him."

We firmly believe that the systematic liberal giver is rewarded by the Lord with an increase in worldly goods, oftentimes witholding more than is meet brings poverty upon the offending child of God.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. WHARTON, Chm.

On motion the reports on Sunday Schools and Sabbath observance and Obituaries were set for 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

In accordance with that part of the report on the State of Religion adopted at a former day of this session in relation to

a day of Fasting and prayer, the Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in November, 1894, was chosen as the day, and all churches in this association are earnestly requested to observe the same.

Devotional Committee announced the hour of 11 o'clock, a. m. arrived. On motion Association adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, p. m.

Dr. J. N. Hall, preached an excellent sermon, subject: Communion.

EVENING SESSION, 2ND. DAY.

Association met at 2 o'clock, p. m. Eld. Geo. Wharton led in prayer and reading scriptures and song, and the body proceeded to business.

Bro. J. W. Burress, Chairman of Special Committee, submitted the following report:

CHEWALLA, TENN., 9, 8, '94.—Your Committee appointed to hear the trouble of Liberty church, beg leave to report, that after hearing a report of brethren of Piney Grove Church and Liberty church, we believe that both have committed irregularities, but cannot believe that either purposely did wrong. We would therefore recommend the reception of Liberty church into our body.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BURRESS, Chm.

After discussion entered into by Elds. J. S. Berry, Burress, Hughes, Skinner, and Bro's. Richard, Belsher and J. W. Burress on a vote the Chair decided the report rejected and delegates of Liberty church not entitled to seats in this body, a unanimous vote being required although a majority voted to adopt report of Committee.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.—Eld. J. S. Berry submitted report which was read and ably discussed by Elds. Berry, Geo. Wharton, Robertson, of Jackson, Tenn., Dr. J. N. Hall and Geo. E. Wooten. Elds. Robertson and Wooten pledged $5.00 each to assist in educating Bro. Willie Mahaffey for the ministry report was adopted as follows:

Your Committee on Schools and Colleges and Ministerial Education beg leave to report as follows:

There is among us a deep and increasing interest on the subject of Education. There is a demand for good schools among the people. The children of to day are blessed with educational advantages, far superior to those of a generation ago.

It is safe to say that the people who will occupy this country when we are gone will be largely an educated people. This is an age of progress. The demand for an earnest educated ministry to instruct and lead the people is upon us. Besides there is wickedness, heresy and infidelity abroad in the land, which entrench themselves behind the ingenious fallacies of well trained minds. The man of God needs to be thoroughly furnished for the Conflict. We are glad to say that Schools and Colleges are abundant for the education of our children and especially for the training of those preparing for the ministry. Our young preachers should be urged to go to school, and in many cases assisted with our means. We make special mention of Mississippi College at Clinton, Miss., and the S. W. B. University at Jackson, Tenn., and our Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

Respectfully,

J. S. BERRY, Chm.

STATE AND ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.—Eld. J. S. Berry Chairman submitted the following report: There is much destitution in our Association. Especially in the Eastern portion of our territory there is an inviting field for Missionary labor. East of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad there are about 20,000 inhabitants in round numbers. One person in 20 is a Baptist; on the West side of said R. R. we have 15,000 inhabitants; one in ten is a Baptist. As to State Mission Work we wish to say that there is in the State much unoccupied territory outside the limits of any association. The State Board is endeavoring to occupy this territory, and desires our hearty sympathy and cooperation. Beside this, important aid is rendered to weak churches needing help within associational bounds. There is one station in the Tishomingo association, Wennasoga. The work done for the year up to date is as follows: Days of labor 32, miles traveled 562, Sermons 32, Baptisms 7, Salary $50.00 per year.

J. S. BERRY, Chm.

Spoken to by Bro. Berry and the following pledges were made and report adopted:

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Booneville $25.00, Brush Creek $5.00, Corinth $25.00, County line $5.00, Cane Creek $5.00, Hinkle Creek $10.00, Jacinto $5.00, New Salem $5.00, New Prospect $2.50, Piney Grove $5.00, Rienzi $5.00, Tuscumbia $1.00, Liberty $4.00. Total $102.50. Baldwyn, Bro. J. W. Burress will take collection; Burnsville, Bro. M. O. Elledge will try to collect; Chewalla, will try to collect $10; Gaston will take collection; Kossuth quarterly collection; Mt. Olive quarterly collection; Oak Hill will take collection; Osborne Creek will take collection; Shiloh will take collection, and Tuscumbia will take collection. On motion churches were requested to take quarterly collections for Foreign, State, Home and Associational Missions during next associational year.

Association adjourned to 7 o'clock, p. m.

Saturday evening at 7 o'clock p. m. the Association met purpursuant to adjournment. After service of song and prayer, led by Eld. W. M. Henderson, the following business was transacted:

The reports of Home Missions and of Foreign Missions were read and spoken to by Eld's. J. C. Swaim, W. M. Henderson, George Wharton, and Bro's. T. W. Jones, Hines and Dr. J. N. Hall, and on motion both reports were adopted as follows:

HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions ask leave to report.

The Savior commands us to teach all nations, but he told the Apostles to begin at Jerusalem. Hence we should begin in our own country. As long as there is foreign immigration to America the demands of the home-field will be pressing. The success of Foreign Missions depends upon the spiritual development of our home people. As our population becomes converted and educated in the spirit of the gospel they will contribute to the cause more liberally. Our cities are becoming inhabited by foreigners who wield an influence for evil. This element of society, if let alone, will soon make itself felt throughout our whole country. We call especial attention to the work of evangelizing our cities, so that this influence may

be turned to good, but we would also call due attention Indian Missions, Cuban Missions and Domestic Missions in t Southern States. We recommend the Home Field as a goo journal for Baptists to read. It will give them the informatio they need and bring them into sympathy with the Home work

Respectfully,

J. C. SWAIM, Chm.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions would respectfully submit the following:

When we think of the subject our minds are made to enquire as to our duty in regard to it, do we feel it in our hearts that Foreign Missions should demand our earnest and prayerful attention? Do we feel that we have a duty to perform in this matter? If so what is that duty. Let us ask God what that duty is, who says: "If any man lack wisdom let him go to God who giveth liberally to all men"—wisdom that will lead us to the highest and greatest duties of this life both to our Heavenly Father and to our fellow man. That there are those among us and even among our own brethren who do not feel an interest in this subject, that we are made to enquire, will the heathen be saved without the gospel? We think not and we base our opinion upon the teaching of God's word. If that be true, who then, is to carry this gospel? The teachings of the Bible stands out in full force and power and says: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," meaning Christ's disciples or those who have been called to "Bear the glad tidings of great joy which shall be to all people." Then there is none left out or debarred from this gospel of Christ, provided we do our duty as God's people. When we think of those who have left our own association, who have left home, native land, friends and everything that seems near and dear to their hearts so far as earthly ties are concerned, to bear the message of love, of the gospel of Christ to the benighted souls of men; when we think of the freeness and fullness of the gospel of Christ, our hearts and souls are filled with gratitude and devotion and we rejoice in the fact that God has given us the glorious privilege of helping to carry the gospel to the Heathen, who are worshiping they know not what, bowing down to stocks and stones. Now we cannot all go nor has God impressed our hearts in that direction, but there are those who have

been impressed with that duty, and it is incumbent upon us as christians and as Baptists to help in this matter by our earnest prayers, by our sympathy and by our means, and see to it that the gospel is not hindered on our part, and stand squarely by our dear brethren who have sacrificed so much to carry the gospel to foreign lands. I trust the brethren of this association will think and act more on the subject and not stop short of our whole duty, as directed by the word of God.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS W. JONES, Chm.

The following pledges for ministerial education were made: Eld. Geo. Wharton, for Corinth church, $10.00; Baldwyn, by J. W. Burress $5.00; T. M. Underwood, $1.00. Clinton Mississippi College—Burnsville, by Bro. M. O. Elledge, $2.50 for same. Chewalla, $5.00, South Western Baptist University, Jackson, Tenn. Glendale Bro. H. Hines $1.00, Hinkle Creek $5.00 for W. E. Hunter. Hinkle Creek $2.50 by Bro J. A. Gray for Mississippi College, Clinton. Kossuth, $5.00 for Miss. College and $5.00 for S. W, Baptist University Jackson, Tenn. Booneville, Brush Creek, Mt. Olive, Cane Creek and New Salem will take collections.

TEMPERANCE.

Committee on Temperance read report which was spoken to by Eld. Frank Ray, Tippah association; Bro's. J. W. Burress, Geo Walton, L. R. Burress and Dr. J. N. Hall and adopted as follows:

Temperance is closely allied to Godliness. Intemperance is the monster evil that confronts us. It becomes us as Baptists to give forth no uncertain sound. No cause demands more immediate and continuous effort. We should endeavor to instil into the young people the principles of Temperance. The great movement has already begun and we hope that it will eventually sweep the rum traffic off the face of the earth. We should uphold the Temperance cause, by our prayers, by our means and by our influence as christian men. As an association we should lend our aid to suppress the manufacture and sale of Rum. May God hasten the day when no longer our fathers and sons shall be debauched by this evil—homes and firesides

no longer be made desolate by the demon of Drink.

GEO. WHARTON, Chm.

FINANCE.

Bro. H. H. Sisk chairman of Committee Finance submitted the following, which was read and adopted:

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to make the following report:

We have collected from the various churches the amount of $27.05 for minutes.

Respectfully,

H. H. SISK, Chm.

The following amounts contributed on minute fund from churches:

Baldwyn 2.70, Booneville 2.00, Brush Creek .25	$4.95
Burnsville 1.00, Cayce Creek .40, Cane Creek .90	2.30
Chewalla 1.10, Corinth 3.50, Farmington .65, Fellowship .80,	6.05
Gaston .70, Glendale .35, Hinkle Creek 1.00, Iuka 1.10	3.15
Jacinto .70, Kossuth 1.85, Liberty .50, Lone Oak .40	3.45
Mt Gillead .50, Meadow Creek .70, Mt Olive 2.25	3.45
New Prospect .50, New Salem .70, Oak Hill 1.00	2.20
Osborne Creek 1.00, Piney Grove .50, Rienzi .15	1.65
Shiloh 1.35, Tuscumbia .50, Collections 1.32	3.17
TOTAL	$30.37

Assoociation adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

SUNDAY MORNING, SEPT. 9TH, 1894.

Association met persuant to adjournment at 9 o'clock, a. m. Devotional exercises conducted by Eld. J. F. Ray, Tippah Association, by service of song, reading scriptures and prayer.

The chair appointed the following brethren as messengers to other religious bodies:

Chickasaw Association—Myrtle Miss., Eld. L. R. Burress.

Tippah Association—Ripley, Thursday before 1st Sunday in Sept. 1895, Elds. J. S. Berry and J. C. Swaim.

West Judson—Birmingham Miss., Tuesday before 1st Sunday in Sept. 1895, Elds. H. A. Rampley, L. R. Burress and J. S. Berry.

Tombigbee—Sept. 17th, 1894, Eld. J. C. Hughes and Bro H. H. Sisk.

East Judson— Tuesday before 2nd Sunday in Sept. 1895, Bro's. H. H. Sisk and T. M. Underwood.

Harmony—Bethlehem church, Eld. J. Skinner.

Southern Baptist Convention—..... .....

The following reports were read and on motion after interest ing talks by Elds Geo Wharton and J. S. Berry, were adopted:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

Your Committee note with pleasure, that reports from church es show that quite a number have well organized Sunday schools. The statistics are proofs of the fact that churches which have live Sunday schools are more liberal in their con tributions for all purposes and that the Lord blesses his word taught to the conversion of more souls through churches where there are Sunday schools than any other.

We regret to report that so many of our churches have no Sunday schools. We earnestly urge that every pastor in this association see that a Sunday school is organized in his church and that they use the Literature published by the S. S. Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, at Nashville, Tenn., and we also urge upon our membership the fullest co-operation pos sible in this great work throughout this association.

We recommend a more general use of the blackboard, maps and the catechism as supplemental lessons to the regular inter national series in our Sunday schools. We further earnestly entreat parents to TAKE their children to the school instead of staying at home and telling them to go, or allow them to re main at home if they wish, and we verily believe that when parents fully do their duty in this line, the Sabbath observance problem will be largely solved.

GEO. E. WOOTEN, Chm.

OBITUARIES.

Your Committee on obituaries beg leave to report the following list of dead and ask that a page be allowed on the minutes to give the names of dead which are reported from churches as follows:

Baldwyn—Deacon Joseph Rogers.

Booneville—Deacon E. P. Dalton and Sister T. E. Stanley.

Burnsville—Sister May Meadows.

Concord—Sister Polly Conlock Bradly.

Corinth—Eld. J. M. Martin, Sisters Martin, Rebecca Jones and Johnson.

Hinkle Creek—Bro's. R. E. Holt and Sam'l. Philpot.

Lone Oak—Sisters J. O. Kennedy and M. A. Crum.

Mt. Olive—Sister Malina Blalock.

Shiloh—Sisters Elizabeth Ferrell and Annie Leatherwood.

Cayce Creek—Sister Bettie Langston.

On motion the following letter from Bro. Chastain, our Missionary in Mexico, was read and ordered to be entered upon the minutes:

DOCTOR ARROY'S, MEXICO, Aug. 30th, 1894.

To the officers and delegates of Tishomingo Association

Greeting:

My dear Brethren: By running over the scale of Associations as published in the Record, I see that you are soon to meet in your annual session. Because of my strong personal friendship for many of you, and my interest in your work, I beg leave to forward to you this my annual letter. I shall speak at once of the work in Mexico.

In locating foreign missionaries it is evidently wise to seize upon the large cities, which are centers of travel, trade and influence; yet it is hardly less important to press the work in smaller towns, villages and ranches where there is less vice and fanaticism, and as a consequence the people are more susceptible to gospel influence and therefore furnish a riper field for the Missionaries. The mission stations and the weak outstanding churches become valuable feeders to the City churches because of the constant move of the people to the Cities.

I recently visited some neighboring towns and ranches with a view to open up new preaching stations. While the people did not flock after us in herds crying for the bread of life, yet we found a few who had already heard the gospel and were interested in it, and others listened attentively and with apparent interest to our reading and explanation of scripture. We distributed tracts, sold some bibles, explained the gospel to many individuals singly and in groups, and returned home much encouraged with the outlook.

Here in the city we have not been idle. Besides four regular meetings each week in our chapel, we have established a house-to-house Friday night meeting whose success thus far has been very gratifying. We are attracting many people to private residences in the suburbs who are ashamed or afraid to enter our chapel. Meetings are held also in some homes where the people are our friends, but seldom or never attend church. In these private meetings our members are more easily induced to take part, and are thus encouraged and developed in spirit and usefulness. These LITTLE meetings are proving to be some of the LARGEST meetings we have.

At a recent session of our church it was resolved to make an aggressive movement on the city. Accordingly the territory was divided into four wards or districts, to each of which a brother was assigned whose business it is to enter new homes, distribute religious literature, sell Bibles, talk and pray with the people, special attention being given to the sick.

We are sure that nothing can take the place of the preached word, yet we think preaching should be followed up closely and continuously by direct personal effort, talking face-to-face with individuals, and pressing home to their hearts the claims of the gospel.

Nothing very remarkable has occurred in my work lately. Amid some discouragements there are evident signs of healthfulness and growth. Five candidates have been baptized recently, and as many more are expected soon to follow.

The annual business meeting of our Mexican mission is to be held at Guadelajara (pronounced Guadelaharra) some 700 miles S. W. of here, near the Pacific Ocean, Sept. 5th to 7th. Among the business to come before the body will be a review of the work of the year now closing, consideration of new fields and new Missionaries and to lay out work for the coming year. It would be a real pleasure and encouragement to us to know that the brethren at home are praying the Lord to so guide us that we may lay wisely and prosecute vigorously, the plans which are to lead on to greatest success of our future work in Mexiro. May the dear Lord bless you also.

Fraternally,

J. G. CHASTAIN.

A special prayer service was then held for our Missionaries in Foreign lands led by Eld. J. S. Berry.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

The business of the Association being finished Bro. W. T. Richardson read the following, which was adopted.

RESOLVED, 1st. That we the members composing the Tishomingo Baptist Association hereby express to the members of Chewalla church and the noble citizens of this town and vicinity our sincere thanks for the hospitality and kindness shown the members and visitors of this Association.

2nd, That we pledge our continual sympathy and prayers for this faithful church and pastor.

3rd. That $10.00 be paid the clerk for his services and if the remainder be insufficient for the publication and distribu tion of the minutes, that he be authorized to call on the Execu Board for a sufficiency.

4th. That the thanks of this body be and are hereby tender ed the moderator, Elder L. R. Burress, and the clerk, Brother J. W. Smith for their efficient and impartial services rendered as officers of this body.

5th. That the thanks of this body be extended to our Metho dist Brethren for the use of their house during this meeting and to the local choir for music.

6th. That the M. & C. Railroad be extended thanks for redu ced rates to delegates and visitors to this body.

Respectfully,

W. T. RICHARDSON, Chm.

The Moderator declared the Association adjourned to meet with Booneville Baptist Church, at Booneville, Miss., on Tues day before the 2nd Sunday in Sept. 1895, and after an eloquent and able sermon by Dr. J. N. Hall, the body was dismissed at 12:30, P. M.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF COLLECTIONS.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	MISSIONS For'n	MISSIONS Home	MISSIONS State	MISSIONS Ass'l	Min. Education	Pastors' Salary	Church Exp.	Value of Church Prop.	SUNDAY SCHOOL Amt. for Lit.	SUNDAY SCHOOL No. Pup.	SUNDAY SCHOOL Av. At.	Remarks
Antioch No. 1												No Report
Antioch No. 2												" "
Baldwyn			6.50	9.75		140.00	10.00					
Booneville	9.00			10.00		250.00	25.00	550.00	25.00	68	42	S. Bap. Lit.
Brush Creek									S. B. Con	15		S. B. S. S. Lit.
Burnsville				5.00		50.00						
Cane Creek				5.00								
Cayces Creek												
Chewalla	1.50			6.20		30.00			8.40	48	25	
Concord												
Corinth	18.00			10.00		452.00	79.70	5674[illegible]0	86.85	100	73	
County Line												
Fellowship						60.00	15.50	600.00		50	30	No Report.
Farmington				3.89								
Gaston				3.30								
Glendale	.95					40.00						
Hinkle Creek	8.00	1.00		8.00		100.00	45.00	500.00	8.00	40	23	$2. Mis. S. S.
Iuka	7.60		6.35	13.10		159.55	13.85		14.37	35		
Jacinto				6.50								
Kossuth				25.00		150.00	6.50	1000.00	11.90	41	28	
Lone Oak												
Meadow Creek				3.45								
Mt. Gilead				1.80								
Mt. Olive	7.00	5.10		10.00		182.75		800.00	17.00	75	57	
Mt. Providence												
New Salem												No Report.
New Prospect						15.00						
Oak Hill				3.37			57.50					
Osborne Creek				2.57				500.00				
Piney Grove				5.00								
Rienzi	16.00			20.00	10.00	9.25				35		
Shiloh	7.00			5.00								
Sardis												

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	POST-OFFICE.	PASTORS	Bapt'd.	Rec. by Letter.	Restord	Dis by Letter.	Exclud.	Died.	Total.	Remarks.
Antioch No. 1											No Report.
Antioch No. 2											" "
Baldwyn	A B Griffin	Baldwyn	J S Berry		4				1	51	
Booneville	J W Smith	Booneville	J S Berry		1		9		2	75	
Burnsville	F M Medders	Burnsville	R J Jennings	1	1		6	1	1	55	
Brush Creek	W L Burrow	Burrow	John Horton							26	
Cane Creek	J B Bradberry	Winnesoga	J S Berry	7	4	2		3		80	
Cayces Creek	L A Thompson	Lytals	J A McCulley			1		2	1	44	
Chewalla	T J Hurley	Chewalla Tenn	G E Wooten	6	2		2			117	
Concord	L H Smart	Dry Run Miss	W E Lancaster	1	2			1	1	37	
Corinth	J C Ijams	Corinth	Geo. Wharton	1	9		5		4	181	
County Line	....	Baldwyn	....							38	No Report.
Farmington	A B Voyles	Farmington	R M Nolen	1	1		8			7.	
Fellowship	T A Butler	Alphine	J A Landers		1		13			71	
Gaston	D T Beall	Booneville	W M Henderson							49	
Glendale	J F White	Eagle	R J Jennings				3			42	
Hinkie Creek	T F Holt	Farmer	J S Berry				8	1	2	83	
Iuka	I H Millsaps	Iuka	L R Burress							86	
Jacinto	J O Looney	Jacinto	J C Hughes							23	
Kossuth	W A Richardson	Kossuth	G E Wooten	3	9		8			102	
Lone Oak	W S Potts	Kossuth	B F Taylor					3	2	66	
Meadow Creek	E Everett	Booneville	J A McCully				2			46	
Mt. Gillead	G W Bishop	Iuka	R J Jennings	7				3		86	
Mt. Olive	W M Burge	Geeville	L R Burress		2		7		1	177	
Mt. Providence										36	
New Prospect	W H Prewitt	Iuka	J C Hughes					2		12	
New Salem	W H Skinner	Burnsville	W L Norman	5	6		1			84	
Oak Hill	W B Outland	Blackland	T B Roberts	3	5					72	
Osborne Creek	T W Jones	Booneville	T B Roberts	3	3	1				85	
Piney Grove	J W Melton	Rienzi	G H Savage				7	17		51	
Rienzi	C B Curlee	Rienzi	J C Swaim				3			15	
Shiloh	W T Coke	Gift	W J Robertson	11	3		5	2	2	98	
Tuscumbia	J E Butler	Cuba Miss	Thos. Moreland							84	
Union	J R Bumpass	Hightown	....							128	
Union Grove No. 1	J W Martin	Burnt Mills	....							40	
				49	53	4	87	35	17	2312	

DELEGATES PRESENT.

Baldwyn—J W Burress, T M Underwood.

Booneville—Eld J S Berry, Geo Walton, J V Alexander and Terry Miller.

Brush Creek—W L Burrow, J L Coake.

Burnsville—Eld. J. R. Jennings, M. O. Elledge.

Cane Creek—F. O. Browning, J. F. Hensly.

Chewalla—P. J. M. Derryberry and Jno. King.

Corinth—Eld. Geo. Wharton, Geo. Farr, J. C. Ijams.

Farmington—Sister M. E. Wilson,

Gaston—D. T. Beall, Sister L. E. Beall and N. A. Parker.

Glendale—J. F. White, H. Hines.

Hinkle Creek—Eld. W. M. Henderson, J. A. Gray, W. R. Holt.

Jacinto—Eld. J. C. Hughes, W. D. Robinson, Jno. Burcham.

Kossuth—W. T. Richardson, W. D. Conn, W. A. Richardson.

Lone Oak—W. W. Muse, J. C. Henderson.

Mt. Gillead—R. W. Glenn, T. D. Davis.

Mt. Olive—Eld. L. R. Burress, J. F. Morris.

New Prospect—Bro. D. E. Bond and Sister M. E. Bond.

New Salem—Eld. J. Skinner.

Oak Hill—Eld. T. B. Roberts and Bro. H. H. Sisk.

Osborne Creek—Bro. T. W. Jones.

Piney Grove—Jas. W. Melton, W. C. Richard, W. R. Jacobs.

Rienzi—Eld. J. C. Swaim.

Shiloh—W. T. Steen, E. T. Jones, W. J. Coke.

Tuscumbia—G. W. Willingham.

Concord, Cayce's Creek, Fellowship, Iuka, Meador Creek,—by letter.

Antioch No. 1 and 2, County Line, Mt. Providence, Sardis, Union, Union Grove No. 1—Not represented.

Dropped from Association the following for failure to represent for 3 last meetings—Conn's Chapel, Mt. Pleasant, New Providence, Mt. Sinai, Rocky Mount, Union Grove No. 2. **Total, 6.**

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Eld. J. G. Archer, J. S. Berry and L. A. Bell...Booneville, Miss.
" L. R. Burress, H. A. Rampley.....Baldwyn, "
" R. J. Jennings, J. W. Lovelace, W. L. Norman Burnsville, "
" Geo. Wharton.....Corinth, "
" J. H. Bird.....Hightown. "

" Thos. Moreland and G. E. Wooten.....Chewalla, Tenn.
" W. M. Henderson.....Hinkle, Miss.
" J. C. Hughes, W. D. Robinson ..... Jacinto, "
" E. Z. Simmons.....Canton, China.
" T. R. Willett, B. F. Taylor.....Kossuth, Miss.
" G. N. Williams.....Wheeler, "
" J. Skinner .....Burnsville, "
" T. B. Roberts.....Blackland, "
" G. H. Savage, J. C. Swaim, W. A. Huff.....Rienzi, "
" W. C. Patterson .....Burton, "
" W. A. Reynolds and A. C. Vandifer.....Geeville, "
" J. T. Harris .....Rienzi, "
" J. F. Mock .....Burnt Mills, "

LICENTIATES.

C. C. Harris .....Burnsville, Miss.
W. T. Richardson.....Kossuth, "
C. A. Duggar .....Iuka, "
W. P. Holt .....Rienzi, "
W. M. Bynum, W. A. Strickland .....Glendale, "
W. E. Hunter.....Farmer, "
Rufus Hooker,.....Jackson, Tenn.
C. P. Duncan.....Southland, Miss.
Willie Mahaffey.....Jackson, Tenn.

RULES OF ORDER.

Art. 1. The Association shall be opened with prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator shall be considered the Judge of order, but any member not satisfied with his decision, may appeal, provided the appeal be made on the same day, but at no subsequent time.

Art. 3. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as members, but not to vote, unless his vote be necessary to decide a question. If he arises to speak he shall call some other brother to the chair.

Art. 4. All questions brought before the association shall be introduced by motion, and if seconded shall be opened for discussion, unless withdrawn by the mover or his second. When a subject has been taken up and a reasonable time allowed for its discussion, the Moderator shall take the vote by yeas and

nays, and if a call for a division be made, it shall be decided by members rising.

Art. 5. Any member being desirous to speak shall rise and address the Moderator. Only one member shall be allowed to speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he departs from the subject, or makes personal reflections.

Art. 6. No person shall speak more than once on the same subject until all who wish to speak shall have had an opportunity—not more than twice upon any subject without permission.

Art. 7. Every question introduced for discussion, shall be decided before another is offered, unless it be laid over, on motion, with the consent of the mover of the resolution.

Art. 8. The Association shall, in all cases be governed by a majority of the members present, except in the reception of Churches, then a unanimous vote shall be required. But in no case shall one member or Church prevent the reception of a Church without sufficient cause shown, which shall be determined by a majority.

Art. 9. The names of the members shall be called whenever the Association shall direct, and the absentees marked. Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission of the Moderater.

Art. 10. The appellation of Brother shall be used by the members in addressing each other.

Art. 11. Any member violating these rules shall be subject to be reproved by the Moderator, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

Art. 12. Amendments or alterations may be made to these rules when a majority may deem it necessary.

ABSTRACT OF FAITH.

Art. 1. We believe in the only living and true God—the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

Art. 2. We believe the Bible to be the word of God, and it is our only rule of Faith and practice.

Art. 3. We believe in the total depravity of Human nature, and that man is dead in trespass and sin.

Art. 4. We believe that Salvation is the gift of God by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and that sinners

are justified, in the sight of God, alone by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, which is unto all and with all them that believe.

Art. 5. We believe in the doctrine of Election: that God has,from the beginning, chosen us to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit, and belief of the Truth.

Art. 6. We believe that the Holy Spirit accompanies the word of God in the Salvation of man, in answer to the prayer of Christians.

Art. 7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints, and that all who truly believe shall be eternally saved.

Art. 8. We believe that baptism is immersion alone, and that none but true believers are proper subjects of the ordinance; and that none but regularly baptized and ordained ministers have a right to administer it, and that it is a prerequisite to the Lord's Supper, and all who come to the Lord's table must come according to the Lord's word.

Art. 9. We believe that a Gospel Church is a body of true believers in Christ, who have been regularly baptized, upon a profession of their Faith in Him, and that there are but two officers in a church, viz: the Elder or Pastor and Deacon.

Art. 10. We believe it to be the duty of each Church to extend and circulate the Word of God as far as their means will enable them.

Art. 11. We believe in the resurrection of all men and in a future and general judgement; and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

COVENANT.

[Adopted in 1860 at the formation of the Association, afterwards ratified by the Churches.]

Art. 1. We as independent Churches of Jesus Christ, do mutually Covenant to unite our efforts and influence for the advancement of the cause of Christ, under the title of the Tishomingo Baptist Association.

Art. 2. We agree to hold annual meetings, to be composed of delegates chosen by the respective churches,bearing letters,to be read at the opening of the meeting, showing their appointment, and also showing the number received by baptism,by letter.by restoration;dismissed by letter,excluded or dead, together with the whole number in fellowship. Also, average number

of Sunday School pupils and number of conversions, amounts contributed to Associational Missions, State Missions, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Ministerial Education, Support of Pastors, Church Expenses, Church Improvements and Total Expended, and valuation of Church property.

Art. 3. We agree that every Church belonging to this body shall be entitled to three delegates until they number one hundred members, then one for every fifty above that number.

Art. 4. When any Church shall fail to communicate with this body for three successive meetings, it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us, and will be dropped from the minutes, unless two or more members shall request its continuance, and will also engage to enquire into its standing and report at the next annual meeting.

Art. 5. Other Churches may be admitted into this union by signifying their wish by letter and delegates, provided they be deemed Scriptural.

Art. 6. We will elect a Moderator and Clerk by ballot, at each annual meeting, as soon as the letters from the Churches are read and the member's names enrolled; letters from petitioning Churches being received, that their delegates may also have the privilege of voting.

Art. 7. We disclaim the right to adopt rules that can, at any time, infringe upon the independence and rights of the Churches. We may, however, advise Churches when they request it, and will withdraw from such as become heretical in doctrine and disorderly in discipline.

Art. 8. We will have an Executive Board composed of seven members, elected annually, and the Moderator and Clerk, whose duty it shall be to take charge of all the funds sent up by the Churches, and dispose of the same as the Churches may direct.

Art. 9. We will correspond with sister associations. Any member of this body whose name appears on our minutes, is authorized to represent us in other religious bodies.

Art. 10. We will have our minutes read, corrected, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the session rises, and will not adjourn except in extraordinary cases, until all the business is finished.

Art. 11. We will, while convenient, appoint the time and place for holding the next annual meeting of this body, and elect a brother to preach Associational sermon. The Association may make such alterations and amendments to the Covenant as two-thirds of the members may deem necessary.

REPORTS

Of the Women's and Young People's Missionary Societies of the Churches of the Tishomingo Baptist Association for the year ending Sept. 9, 1894.

BOONEVILLE W. M. S.

To Cash paid for Home uses	$100.00
" " " " Mission Board	1.00
" " " Associational Missions	1.00
Total Expended	$102.00
By Cash on hand	$61.90

CORINTH, MISS.

W. M. and Aid Society of Corinth Baptist Church, T. B. A.

The following amounts contributed:

Foreign Missions	$2.50
Home Board (Cuban Ladie's)	3.25
Home Uses	261.00
Total	$266.75

Mrs. J. C. IJAMS, Sec. Mrs. J. L. HUGGINS, Pres.

Willing Workers Society, Corinth, Miss.

For the year ending Sept. 1, 1894.

Amount paid Foreign Missions	$1.25
Home Board (Cuban Ladie's)	1.75
Home Uses	15.50
Total	$18 50

PEARL ADAMS, Treas. Mrs. J. D. BURGE, Pres.

IUKA, Sept. 6 1894.

To Tishomingo Baptist Association Society of Faithful Workers submit following year ending Sept. 6, '94.

By amount work	$29.00
" Donations	7.95
Total amount received	$36.95

Paid out as follows:

Home use	$68.77
Ministerial Education	5.00
Foreign Msssions	1.00
Total	$74.77

Respectfully Submitted.

Mrs. C. E. MILLSAPS, Sec. and Treas. Mrs. L. J. ELLIS, President.

KOSSUTH.

Report of W. M. S., Kossuth, Church.

Associational Missions	$5.00.
Foreign Missions	1.00.
Home Uses	19.33.
Total	$25 33.

Mrs LILY UNDERWOOD, Rec. Secretary

Mrs. CLAUDIA MATHEWS, Treasurer.

MT. OLIVE.

Report of W. M. S, Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

Foreign Missions	$1 50.
Sustentation	1.35.
Pastors Expenses to Convention	3 00
Home Uses	16 73.
Total	$22 58

Mrs. ANNIE BURRESS, Pres. Miss JENNIE P. BURRESS, Sec.

RIENZI, MISS.

W. M. S organized in June 1894, and has contributed to Sept 6, 1894 as follows:

Foreign Missions	$6 00.
Ministerial Services	4 25.
Total	$10 25.

Miss ALICE BRADSHEAR, President.

Miss ELEANOR CURLEE, Secretary.

MINUTES OF UNION MEETINGS.

FIRST DISTRICT.

Met at Mt. Olive Church, July 13, 1894. Called to order at 10 o'clock a. m. by Bro. T. W. Jones, Moderator, pro tem, and Bro. D. T. Beall, Clerk, protem. Letters from Churches composing the meeting were called for and read. Meeting then proceeded to permanent organization, Bro. T. W. Jones elected Moderator and D. T. Beall Clerk. Eld. W. A. Reynolds preached introductory sermon. Eld. L. R. Burress submitted following program for decision, adopted, towit:

1st. Criticism of introductory sermon.

2d. Will the heathen be saved without the gospel?

3rd. To what extent should the Church encourage women as auxilliaries.

4th. Duty of parents to Sunday Schools.

5th. Duty of Church members to communicate with their pastors.

Interesting talks were made upon the above subjects by Eld. T. B. Roberts, J. S. Berry, Geo. Williams, L. R. Burress, and H. A. Ramply, and Bros. M. Franks, T. W. Jones, and J. W. Burress.

Second Day, Saturday, July 14, 1894.

Eld. L. R. Burress opened the meeting by leading in prayer, and discussing the subjects of previous day. Eld. J, S. Berry preached at two o'clock p. m. The time and place of next meeting of this district was selected as follows: Friday before the 5th Sunday in June 1895, at Meadow Creek Church, Eld. Geo. Williams chosen to preach introductory sermon.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, that the thanks of this body be tendered the Moderator and Clerk for efficient services, and to the people of Mount Olive and vicinity for their hospitality during the meeting.

Resolved, that the Clerk be requested to prepare the proceedings of this body for insertion in the minutes of our next meeting of our association.

PROGRAM FOR NEXT MEETING.

1. Exegesis of Mark 10-38 and 39.—L. R. Burress and J. G. Archer.

2. Is foot washing a christian ordinance?—H. H. Sisk and J. S. Berry.

3. Sabbath observance.—T. W. Jones and C. R. Lacy.

4. Is the alien sinner regenerated before he believes in Christ?—J. C. Swaim, W. A. Reynolds, and Geo. Williams.

5. Lord's Supper, who should partake and when.—J. G. Archer and L. R. Burress.

6. Scriptural Baptism.—H. A. Rampley, Jno. Morris, T. M. Underwood.

7. Sunday Schools.—Mott Burge T. E. Bryson, J. F. Morris.

8. Wholesome Literature.—Jack Jones, Sam Everett and Jno Petty.

9. Baptism of the Holy Ghost; is it perpetuated?—G. L. Landus, L. A. Bell, T. E. Spain.

No further business appearing; meeting adjourned.

D. T. BEALL, Clerk. T. W. JONES, Mod.

SECOND DISTRICT.

Meeting of Second District Convened with Cane Creek Church Friday before 5th Sunday in July 1894, at 10:30 o'clock a. m. The body organized by electing E. F. Romine, Moderator, and A. J. Modlin, Clerk. Eleven Churches were represented by letters and delegates. After singing and prayer the following subjects were discussed during the session and adopted:

1. "Why should Christianity be aggressive?"
2. "Does God call men to preach the Gospel? If so what is the evidence?"
3. "What is the duty of church members to their Pastor?"
4. "Sabbath Schools."
5. "What are the Scriptural qualifications of Church members?"

The above subjects were spoken to by the following brethren:
1 and 2—Eld. W. M. Henderson and Bro. E. F. Romine.
3—Henderson, Derryberry, and Romine.
4—Romine, Derryberry, Browning, Mahaffey, and others.
5—Henderson and Romine.

Committee on program for next meeting of this body submitted the following:

1. Are Missionary Baptist the Primitive Church of Christ?—J. O. Looney and [redacted]er.
2. Explanation of Heb. 11-35—J. D. Bills, E.S.Candler, Jr.
3. Is local Church Communion Scriptural?—E. F. Romine, F. O. Browning, J. R. Jennings and T. Moreland.
4. Is it advisable for young Ministers to preach introductory sermons at Associations and Union Meetings?—J. D. Burge and T. F. Holt.
5. Should Churches neglect prayer Meetings?—J. R. Hooker, Frank Russell, and W. M. Henderson.
6. Can Church members afford not to attend Church Conferences?—M. H. Hensley, T. F. Harris, J. F. White, and T. Derryberry.

The time and place for the next Union Meeting of 2d District was selected as follows: Friday before the second Lord's day in August 1895, with Hinkle Creek Church.

The business being completed, the body adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that this body tender their sincere thanks to this Church and Community for kind hospitality shown us during [illegible] session.

After singing "God be with you till we meet again," and extending the right hand of Christian Fellowship adjourned to meet with Hinkle Creek Church as above stated.

A. J. MODLIN, Clerk. E. F. ROMINE, Mod.

Eld. W. M. Henderson preached at 11 o'clock, 1st day, subject, Sacrifice of Christ. Text, Second Corinthians, 9-8.

Eld. Rufus Hooker preached 11 o'clock 2d day. Text, 1st. John, 8-2.